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Academic recognition:

Last-minute entry brings Walker grant

BY CARINE PETERSON
EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

After mailing her Humana Scholarship application by Federal Express overnight, Emma Jo Walker was surprised and honored to be one of the four recipients chosen nationwide.

The National Student Nurses' Association sponsored the \$2,500 scholarship, funded by the Humana Foundation.

Two days before the application deadline, several students in the Student Nurses' Association filled out forms, gathered transcripts, and acquired letters of recommendation for the scholarship.

"Some of us wondered if it was worth the effort that we all went through that day to get all the paperwork together," said Walker, "but it was worth it."

Walker hopes to use the scholarship money for the four weeks this summer she will be doing clinical work in Nevada and Springfield. The money will be used to pay gas, travel, meal, and motel expenses.

"This will really make a difference for my financial situation in the summer," she said. "My other scholarship is not good for the summer, and there are no grants."

Though grades and her financial situation assisted in obtaining the scholarship, Walker said being named Homecoming queen last fall and receiving the nomination from the Student Nurses' Association also helped her.

"It probably got their attention, that someone my age got it," she said.

The National Student Nurses' Association will honor the 1990 scholarship recipients during its convention awards banquet on Thursday, April 19, in Nashville.

Walker, a nursing major, said her children are tired of her studying night and day.

"I have no life outside of studying," she said, "but I think by me getting this they see there is something besides just getting a degree and there are some other rewards for studying."

In raising a family and working toward her nursing degree, she has found prioritizing the key factor in her life.

"Your family needs to come first, and then you have to be willing to make some sacrifices in the rest of your life for the two to three years you are in school. In the end it will be worth it."

Since the age of five, she has been interested in the field of nursing.

"It is never boring," said Walker. "The one drawback is the continual stress. When you are working in a field where you are going to have somebody's life in your hands, I am not going to be a 'C' student. I would not want a 'C' student taking care of me."

"I want to be an 'A' student. I want it to be automatic that I go in, see the problem, and click. I know exactly what to do."



STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

Electronics whiz

Chris Osterloh, a freshman pre-engineering major, measures the wave output on an audio amplifier.

Several receive stipends

The honors program is holding its own as the end to the academic year brings an abundance of awards and recognition.

Among the most notable:

■ Analee Witt, who received a full fellowship to attend Southern Methodist University. She will pursue a doctorate in mathematics. The fellowship waives tuition and gives an allowance for living expenses.

■ Stacey White, who received a tuition waiver and a living expense allowance to attend Syracuse University. She will pursue a doctorate degree in English.

■ Kevin Otipoby, who was selected to be a research assistant in biology at the University of Missouri. Otipoby's selection is

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Mitchell second to win honor

BY KATY HURN
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Michelle Mitchell has become only the second student from Missouri Southern to receive the Mid-America Athletic Trainers Association Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship.

Established in 1986 and sponsored by the National Athletic Trainers Association, the scholarship is a seven-state district scholarship. Two winners selected each year receive a \$500 cash award.

According to Kevin Lampe, head athletic trainer, the scholarship is awarded on the principles of academic performance, letters of recommendation, and a biographical sketch indicating a student's continued interest in athletic training.

"It's only for those individuals who meet the guidelines of becoming a certified athletic trainer," he said.

In the four years that this scholarship has been available, two Southern students have applied and won both times. Brian Nitz was the other recipient.

"We really feel two of our kids winning this in four years is an exceptional honor for Missouri Southern," said Lampe. "We're talking about competition against all collegiate programs in a seven-state area."

Approximately 18 students from colle-

giate programs in Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Iowa applied for the award.

"We're finding each and every year that the competition gets tougher," Lampe said. "It was an even greater honor for one of our students to win it this year."

Mitchell, an athletic training minor, played volleyball and softball in high school. She is a member of Southern's athletic training staff and did a physical therapy internship last summer at Freeman Hospital in Joplin.

"I like having the knowledge to help others when they are hurt," she said. "This will help me stay around and keep an interest in athletics."

Overall, Mitchell is pleased with what she has been able to accomplish here.

"As far as athletic training is concerned, I don't think I could have gotten a better education anywhere else," she said.

After graduation, Mitchell plans to apply to physical therapy school and also take the National Athletic Trainers Association Certification Exam next summer.

"I hope to work in a sports-medicine clinic as a physical therapist and athletic trainer," she said. "I've thought about working with professional sports or Olympic teams. It would be really nice if I had that opportunity."

Osterloh to participate in electronics training

BY STEPHEN MOORE
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Although he already has been offered positions with electronics corporations, Chris Osterloh said he will hold out for an education.

Osterloh, a freshman pre-engineering major at Missouri Southern, was chosen as one of two people in the nation to attend a year-long training session with Matsushita Electronics in Chicago.

There he will study basic electronic theory, advanced electronic theory, and trouble-shooting theory.

The choice was made after competition in the International Youth Skills Olympics at the district, state, and national levels as well as an international trial.

The contest, Osterloh said, started out with more than 11,000 people competing at the district level. By the end of the national competition, six contestants are remaining to compete in the international trial. Two were selected from this group to attend training in Chicago, but only one will be chosen for the international competition.

Success at this stage, he said, would assure a contestant a career in electronics.

"If you win the internationals it means you can get a job at just about any electronics company you want," he said.

He first began with the competition as a junior in high school. At that time, he made it only as far as the state level; however, the following year resulted in

competition at the international trials in Washington, D.C.

Categories of judgment at this level include a four-hour construction project, which consisted of building a stereo amplifier, and a two-hour theory test. Participants also are required to trouble-shoot 15 consumer products, including video recorders, televisions, and stereo systems.

Osterloh said he gained his knowledge of electronics through a two-year program in high school in addition to outside readings.

According to Dr. Lanny Ackiss, director of the Missouri Southern honors program, Osterloh is not limited in his talents.

"He's an excellent student, and the sky seems to be the limit for this young man," he said. "The fact that he got into the honors program says that he's reasonably well-rounded in his intellect, and he also knows a lot about electronics."

While competing, Osterloh said some electronics companies already were offering full-time jobs to contestants. He resisted the temptation, though.

"It would be nice to say goodbye to calculus for a while," he said.

He plans instead to complete his sophomore year at Southern and transfer to the University of Missouri-Rolla to earn an electronics engineering degree. Eventually he hopes to enter the aerospace or communications technology field.

He currently puts his skills to work on weekends at an electronics store in his hometown of Monett.



STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

Receives \$500

Michelle Mitchell, a member of Southern's athletic training staff, tests a softball player for a muscle pull.



Hard at work

Mendi Morton, sophomore chemistry major, examines test tubes for chemical content after class.

Morton receives \$2,500 assistantship

BY CHRISTOPHER CLARK
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Enthusiasm may be the only quality Mendi Morton ever needed.

Instead, the sophomore covered her bases by backing some of that enthusiasm with credentials, and those credentials were enough to earn her a research assistantship this summer at the University of Arkansas' department of chemistry and biochemistry.

The summer research program carries a \$2,000 stipend in addition to a \$500 living allowance. Also, each assistant is given \$200 toward the attendance of a regional or national chemistry meeting.

Morton was surprised by her selection. "I was shocked," she said. "It came as a real surprise. I didn't think I would have been chosen."

Morton will assist graduate students in their study. While the projects may not be of her initiative, Morton will play a key role in aiding the research.

The fact that she is a sophomore makes her selection somewhat unusual. Last year

the program selected eight juniors and only one sophomore.

Recently, before she was picked to participate in the program, Morton visited the Arkansas campus and met with Dr. Donald Bobbitt, director of the program. It was then that Bobbitt informed Morton that she was high on his list of candidates for the program and that getting a personal interview helped her chances.

"I was able to look at the university, and I thought it was a really nice campus," she said. "I'm looking forward to going there."

And when Morton says she is going there, she does not mean just for the summer. She has intentions to transfer to UA and graduate with a degree in chemistry.

"Going down there for the summer will give me a chance to get used to the campus and everyone there," she said. "From what I have seen, the people are very friendly and make you feel comfortable."

As of now, Morton has no idea what exactly she will be working on in the program. Assignments have not been given to the program participants yet.

Morton has seen a list of the projects

that will be conducted. To the layman, the names read as if they were from an all-too-serious science fiction movie. "Application of Laser-based Polarimetry to the Study of Antibiotic Materials" and "Synthesis and Characterization of Novel Tetrahydrofurans and Tetrahydropyrans" are just two of the topics to be studied.

Bobbitt said he was impressed with Morton.

"She has excellent credentials behind her," he said. "She has very good grades, and she is very qualified to be in this program."

"Also, it's not very often that we select sophomores for the program, but she's qualified and is enthusiastic about coming here."

Bobbitt is encouraged by Morton's decision to accept the assistantship, as he would like to see more women participate.

"This year more than half of the participants are women, and it hasn't been like that in the past," he said. "I think women have been under-represented in science and in this program, so I am encouraged by this."

Senate gives \$570 for NAA career day

Michelle Carnine requests \$275 for pageant

Student senators debated a measure under old business last night which could have given the College's chapter of the National Association of Accountants \$1,000 for a career day.

Last week, treasurer Anna Miller raised questions about the allocation, saying it would set a "dangerous precedent" if the Senate gave the money to the NAA. Some senators were concerned that funding a career day would prove conflicting with the placement's office Career Fair.

"My main concern is the precedent the Student Senate would be setting," Miller said, "because if we fund this career day then we would have to do it for every major."

Miller believes the NAA should work through the annual Career Fair, or it should fund the event itself or through other means.

A representative for the organization said the NAA had met with Dr. Robert Brown, dean of the school of business administration, who turned down the request for funding. Brown said money was not available.

In a memo from Nancy Disharoon, placement director, she said, "I heartily support the Accounting Career Day and hope to use it as a means for attracting major accounting employers to Missouri

Southern for on-campus recruiting."

The original request was for \$1,000. A motion was made to reduce the amount to \$570, then after further debate, Sen. Jerry West moved to amend the request to \$1,000. A motion on the floor sought to bring the request down even further to \$250. After closing debate on the matter, the Senate shot down the proposals and finally voted to allocate \$570 to the NAA.

Also under old business, Phi Beta Lambda, a business organization, was given \$567 to attend a national convention. Zeta Tau Alpha was given \$515 and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers was awarded \$1,000 for similar purposes.

The Senate allocated itself \$800 to buy office supplies and to help put on the Senate's picnic at the end of the semester.

Under new business, the Senate gave first readings to three requests: \$1,000 for the cheerleaders to attend a camp in San Marcos, Texas, in July; \$1,000 for a proposed MSSC Drill Team; and \$275 for Michelle Carnine to aid her participation in the Miss Missouri Pageant in June.

In the new business forum, Sen. Lory St. Clair expressed concern about the state of the Barn Theatre, which was closed in February due to fire hazards. Senate President Sara Woods said she would look into the situation and report back.



STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

Last day on job

Howard Dugan (left), director of the physical plant, was honored Friday with a reception. Dugan, who has retired after 20 years at Southern, is video taped by Bill Boyer, director of campus security. Dugan, who received a VCR and other gifts from the College, has been replaced by Robert Beeler.

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April 18 symposium to focus on changes in Eastern Europe

Perspectives on changes in Eastern Europe will highlight a social sciences symposium to be held at Missouri Southern.

Dr. Conrad Gubera, professor of sociology, is coordinating the Wednesday, April 18 event that will feature experts' views on Eastern European culture, history, and economics in the wake of that part of the world's move toward democracy.

"The coming down of the Berlin Wall and the other rapid changes are so important that we need to set aside a time to bring a special impact to the students," Gubera said. "There are many who thought that we would never see any of these things in our lifetime."

Gubera has lined up two off-campus speakers: Dr. Edward Strong, professor of political science at Tulsa University; and Dr. George Jewsbury, professor of history at Oklahoma State University.

Strong was lecturer at the War College and is a N.A.T.O. specialist. Jewsbury, a specialist on Eastern European affairs, works for the State Department. During

the week, he commutes between his job in Washington, D.C. and OSU.

In addition to Strong and Jewsbury, Southern faculty have been invited to address such topics as geography and history of Eastern Europe, cultural change, political processes, and business and economics. The faculty include Sara Sale, assistant professor of social sciences; Dr. David Tate, associate professor of sociology; Dr. Donald Youst, assistant professor of political science; and Brad Kleindl, instructor of business.

The symposium begins at 7 p.m. April 18 with a two-hour long session in the Matthews Hall auditorium.

The next day, the symposium will start again at 10 a.m. in Matthews Hall. Both the 10 and 11 a.m. sessions will be in the auditorium. Speakers will visit classrooms at 1 p.m., meeting students who were not able to attend the morning sessions.

At 3 p.m. the speakers will make themselves available to the news media for interviews as well as a taping of an hour-long show for MSTV.



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Coming soon The State Ballet of Missouri will present a performance of "Con Amore" at Missouri Southern April 28.

Arts Festival to open here April 16

Students will be admitted free to all events

BY ANGIE STEVENSON
ARTS EDITOR

Spring is the time when things come in full bloom, and Missouri Southern arts are no exception. The College is preparing to host the first Southern Arts Festival.

The Choral Society will put the festival in motion with its April 16 concert. For three weeks the campus will be a stage for dance, theatre, music, art, and film. The performances will be by both Southern departments and outside groups.

JoAnn Hollis, public information assistant, said the idea was initiated by College President Julio Leon and then was developed by Gwen Hunt, director of public information, and Dr. Jay Fields, director of theatre.

"Since the piano competition is being held again, the festival has evolved around it," said Hollis. "Once they got the idea started, they really liked it so now we're planning on making it an annual event."

The third International Piano Competition on April 23-26 has invited entrants from 12 different countries and will be the main event of the festival. The semi-

annual competition will feature recitals by three of the four judges along with performances the winners.

According to Hollis, during the off-years of the competition the festival may substitute performances by such groups as the St. Louis Symphony.

In addition to the piano competition, the State Ballet of Missouri will make its first appearance in Joplin on April 28. Based in Kansas City, the year-round professional company will perform ballets by George Balanchine, Lew Christensen, and its own Todd Bolender.

Hunt said Fields, chairman of the festival, has been planning the performances for more than 15 months. He has been juggling various campus performances so that the group will fit in with the festival's schedule.

Some of those performances include three Southern theatre productions: *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Universe*, *Attack of the Mushroom People*, and *Talking With*; and concerts by the Southern Dixieland Band, Symphonic Band, and the Southern Trio. The art department will contribute to the festival with three different exhibits.

Hollis said the ratio of campus performances compares about evenly with other performances. The response to the St. Louis Symphony and Warsaw Philharmonic Orchestra may have sparked the idea of bringing additional performances of the like to the community.

"I think it (the response) helped," she said. "Cynthia Schwab has really pushed the arts in the community, and there's been excellent response. The College is a good way to help promote those activities."

Other festival activities include the two-man show *Billy Bishop Goes to War: The Birthday of the Infanta*, by the Metro Theatre Circus; and a performance by the Laurentian String Quartet.

All performances are free to Southern students, but reservations still must be made to insure seating. Ticket prices for adults include \$8, \$6, or \$4 for the State Ballet; \$3 for the Metro Theatre Circus; \$5 for the Laurentian String Quartet luncheon; and \$5 per night for the piano concerts.

Additional scheduling and ticket information may be obtained by calling the public information office at 625-9399.

All events will be held in the Billingsly Student Center or the Taylor Performing Arts Center.

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From the Business Office, Hearn Hall Room 210

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unusual because he is a freshman. The program will provide him with a stipend. ■ Roxy Johnston, who was selected as a research assistant in biology at Oklahoma State University, Johnston also will be given a stipend.

Six students have been awarded Student Research Grants to travel to the National

Undergraduate Research Conference at Union College in Schenectady, N.Y., April 19-21. Lori Bogle, Christine Howell, Melody Marlatt, Doug May, Karen Taylor, and White—all honors students—will make the trip.

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1-1519-1 A Joplin Insurance company is looking for an insurance sales assistant. Duties will include answering the phone, completing and processing applications, contacting clients by phone, good computer skills, and word-processing to name a few. Pay scale is \$4-\$5/hr and hours will be 9 a.m.-2 p.m., M-F. Check with the SES office for more details.

A local hardware store is looking for a yard office operator. Duties will be working in the building and checking loads in and out. Must have common sense and able to work hard. Pay scale will be \$3.86/hr. Hours will be 25-30/wk. Please check with the student employment office for more details.

4-1477-1 A Joplin apartment complex is looking for a leasing agent to work on Sunday afternoons, 12-5. Pay scale will be \$3.35/hr plus commission. (\$20.00 per apartment they rent) You must meet the public well, be outgoing and have good communications skills. Come by the students employment office to find out more.

6-2341-1 A swim team coach and assistant coach is needed in Lamar. Must have swim team experience. The job will start the last of May, 1st of June, and continue through the middle of August. Hours will be 2-3 hours each morning. 5 days a week. Come by Rm 114F if you are interested in this position.

2-2343-1 A local bakery is looking for a delivery driver/dishwasher. They are looking for someone hardworking, personable, and outgoing. Hours will be M-F, 11:00-4:30. Pay scale is \$2.85/hr plus tips. You will need your own car and you will be paid mileage. Come by HH 114F for more details.

5-1034-3 Calling chemistry majors! A part-time chemist is needed at a local company. Must have completed Analytical Chemistry I. Pay scale will be \$5/hr. Hours will be a few now and more in the summer. Come by HH Rm 114F for more info.

5-1597-2 Do you have word-processing and 10-key skills? We may have a job for you! A clerical position is open at a local plumbing company. Pay scale is \$4/hr. The hours are flexible to fit someone's schedule; 20 hrs/wk. Check with the SES office for more info.

2-2352-1 Are you looing for a temporary job before you go home for the summer? A day care worker is needed at a local day care center. Pay scale will be \$3.35/hr. Hours will be 1:30-4:30, M-F for the next two months. Come by if you need to hear some more about this job.

5-2338-2 A local carpet dealer is looking for a sales clerk to work 5-15 hrs/wk. Pay will be \$4/hr, paid twice per month. Must be a trustworthy and outgoing person. Come by HH 114-F for more details.

3-2351-1 A babysitter is needed in Joplin for a 10 month old and a 4 yr old. Must have an interest in children and some references. Hours are 3 p.m.-8 or 9 p.m., W,Th, and F until the end of April, then Th and F thereafter. You must have your own transportation. Check with the SES office to find out more.

3-2346-1 A computer operator for the mainframe is needed in a Medical center in Pittsburg. A computer major is desired and they will train. Hours will be 4:30 p.m.-1 a.m., 20 hrs/wk. Pay scale is \$5.45/hr. Come by the SES office if this sounds like a job you would be interested in looking into.

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OUR EDITORIALS

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Faculty Senate needs to meet

Where, oh where have you gone, Faculty Senate? Few organizations have been as inactive. Monday's meeting was cancelled, making it the second time this semester the Senate has decided it has nothing to talk about. Remembering that the Senate met just three times during the fall, one has to wonder why it even exists.

Earlier this semester, the Senate drew heavy criticism from other faculty for not meeting. Surely, the critics thought, the Senate must have something to discuss. Wrong. Even last year's Senate president, Dr. Paul Teverow, said that it's a "bad sign when the Senate doesn't meet because it shows apathy on the part of the faculty."

It's easy for senators to say there is no business to discuss, but have they asked every faculty member in their respective departments if they had any concerns? Certainly, there must be some faculty somewhere with an item the Senate should address. What about the individual committees within the Senate? Will they ever get a chance to report their progress or findings to the Senate?

Granted, the Senate is an advisory board and can't really take action on major issues. However, it can form opinions and stances that could influence administrative decisions. It does have influence, but that influence and credibility is quickly diminished when the Senate chooses to cancel its meetings.

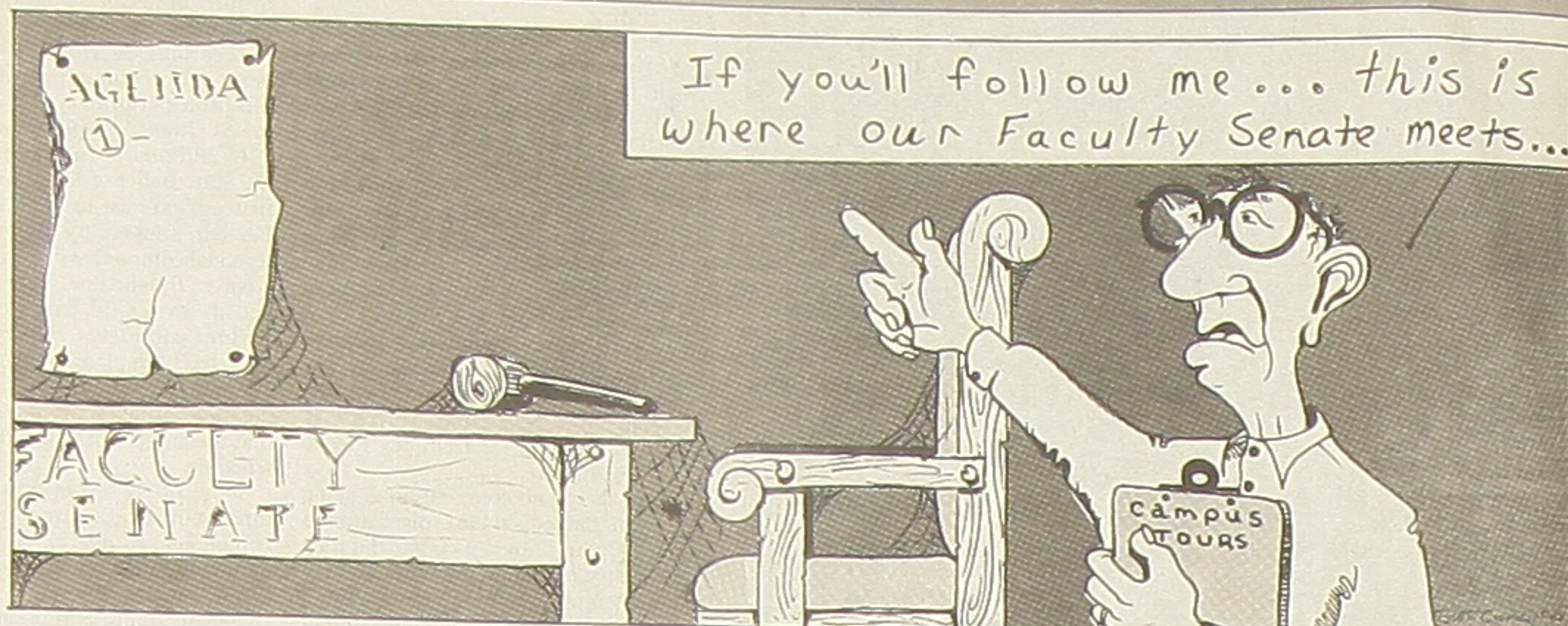
\$570 allocation may be mistake

Student Senate treasurer Anna Miller was right to voice her opposition last night to a funding request by the College's chapter of the National Association of Accountants.

The organization asked for \$1,000 to help fund a career day. Some \$430 of that amount was to help defray expenses for refreshments. Miller was correct to point out that the Senate could set dangerous precedent by funding one group's career day. If the Senate indulges in such a habit, other groups could ask for similar funding, which might prove conflicting to the placement office's annual Career Fair.

Although a memo from placement director Nancy Disharoon said the NAA's career day might even help her Career Fair, it remains to be seen whether the Senate could finance such an influx of requests that could result from this allocation.

The Senate voted to give the NAA \$570. It could prove to be a mistake as the Senate may be sticking its money where it doesn't belong.



Parents should open ears, listen to kids

BY DIANE VAN DERA
CAMPUS EDITOR

A recent trip to Joplin's ubiquitous mall record stores brought about a violation of the First Amendment. A small one perhaps, but a violation nonetheless.

Some of my fellow Chart staffers and I went to Camelot Music to buy a few tapes because, with the exception of Musicland's 12-inch section, that is the only decent place to buy music in this city. While perusing the Alternative section for the latest in hot-rocking dance music, a small, yellow sticker on a rap tape caught our eye. A closer inspection showed us that it was in fact the now infamous warning label for explicit lyrics.

This was not the problem, however. The problem was that Camelot had taken it upon itself to jump the gun on a law requiring a minimum age of 18 to buy tapes containing what a group of self-effacing judges states are obscene and explicit lyrics. This bill was at the time just up for vote in the Missouri House of Representatives, and at its last session, the House voted the bill down.



EDITOR'S COLUMN

One of our party decided to test the staff and brought a rap tape up to the register. Sure enough, the employee carded him. True to form, he refused to buy the tape and proceeded to tell her why.

Camelot has since dropped its under-18 policy, but what is to stop other people telling you what is allowable to listen to? The choice should be individual, just like taste.

I am not blaming the woman behind the counter, nor am I blaming the manager of the store for enforcing a policy that is, at best, censorious. What I blame is the narrow-mindedness of the new era of self-righteousness that is cropping up in this nation.

The controversy over rock'n'roll has been present since before Elvis shook his pelvis. Parents have been appalled by the street-wise lyrics and the base beat. True, rock has changed over the years, and yes, it has become more, shall we say, forward. But in my opinion, if you don't like it don't listen to it.

The conflict came more into the public's eye in 1985 when Mary "Tipper" Gore bought a tape for her daughter and was shocked at the language expressed therein. Gore, the wife of an obscure Democratic presidential candidate from Tennessee, overnight became a media darling when she and several other Washington wives formed the Parents Music

Resource Center, a group dedicated to answering "a call for greater efforts by communities and parents to control what their children see and hear." Of course, Gore was soon bashed by those in the music business, most notably Frank Zappa, as a woman more dedicated to helping her husband's floundering presidential hopes than furthering the ethical listening of little kiddies.

The main contention seems to be that after listening to heavy metal and rap music, children are incited to acts of violence and suicide. This idea seems to be a bit far-fetched and something of an excuse from parents for their children's problems. God forbid that perhaps there might be a problem at home, or a problem with parent-child communication. Surely it wasn't the parents' fault, not even in part, for their child remaining depressed and feeling helpless long enough for him or her to commit suicide. This is not going to become parent slandering, but open your ears and listen to what your kids are saying. Not only will you learn something about them, you will learn something about yourself, and who isn't better with a little more knowledge.

Personally, though I truly do not like the man's music, I think Ozzy Osbourne has the right philosophy: "It's about living, not dying. People who really listen know that. The others—well, I can't do anything about them. I'm not going to stop making music because they won't listen."

Students should attend campus events

BY DR. ANN MARLOWE
PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH

Attending campus programs should be an important part of a college education. Guest speakers, workshops, cultural events, receptions, and various exhibitions offer valuable educational opportunities. The benefit of a well-rounded education is being able to relate knowledge learned in specific disciplines, or classes, to life in general. Education is an on-going process, and I have found benefit in these programs, since I consider myself a perpetual student.

A college education should be more than the act of completing a specified number of credit hours. Extra programs enhance educational opportunities for both students and professors, providing them the opportunity to:

- 1) meet recognized scholars
- 2) learn new perspectives
- 3) challenge creative thinking
- 4) develop analytical skills
- 5) relate the experiences to life



IN PERSPECTIVE

6) adapt the information to coursework. These events do not always have to relate directly to classes being taken, or to students' majors, to be beneficial. Some programs will have a direct correlation; others will challenge students and professors to integrate the program's materials into the coursework. Some programs will be timely and enhance the materials being studied in class. However, many of the events are not even scheduled at the beginning of each semester so it is difficult to plan attending campus events ahead of time. Both students and faculty have to be innovative as soon as they become aware of the schedule to determine if they will attend the program.

Recently, my literature class was studying Blake and Shelley as they related events of their times. Shortly before Multi-Cultural Week, I became aware of a tele-conference program on blacks. I altered the reading assignment to include black authors we would have discussed later in the text. By creatively adapting the assignment, we were able to benefit from the program. What seemingly did not fit into our schedule at the time, became through association, a valuable lesson.

Some colleges even require attendance at a cer-

tain number of campus programs per semester. The liberal arts colleges I attended had such requirements. At the time, I did not always appreciate the value, but through the years, I have come to realize the significance of those events; today, they provide some of my fondest college memories, and in this sense, the educational process is on-going. Many senior citizens today recall the famous people they heard while in college. These events are often memorable. I still regret not attending a Bobby Kennedy lecture while I was in graduate school. Finishing writing a paper for a class seemed more important at the time. He was assassinated a week later. I had fallen into the trap of "not enough time" to go to an extra event.

Campus programs have historical perspectives, whether the focus is on an earlier period or the present. Even relatively unknown guests or scholars on campus today could be tomorrow's news item, or an important part of national or international events. Taking one's classes to events has additional benefits, such as providing: 1) a break in the physical routine, 2) a new psychological climate, 3) a contrasting approach to disseminating information. Certainly, attending events during free time, or not associated with classes also has benefits. Take the opportunity now to invest in your future. Attend a campus event.

YOUR LETTERS

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Facts should be checked out first

Well, *The Chart* has done it again! Another excellent issue, including a supplement on abortion. I don't know how you continue to produce such a fine newspaper, but somehow you do and it enriches the campus environment.

As a member of the American Psychological Association (APA), I do feel a need to respond to one item in the abortion supplement, regardless of my own personal opinion about abortion. One quote was highlighted which

reflects a view I've heard frequently from pro-life supporters. The quote was from Heidi Oakes who said, "Research has shown women who have abortions have a tremendous amount of guilt and go through mental and emotional trauma." I don't know which "research" was being quoted, but the APA recently assembled a five-member group to review the research

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won't have to use dirty needles? Laws should be made to do what is right, not because of what people will do if made illegal.

To Dr. Barry Brown, what is a potential person, and at what point does a potential person become a real person? Psalms 139: 13-16 speaks of a living human life being created in the mother's womb by God. Dr. Brown referred to Plato's heaven. I don't know of Plato's heaven, but I do know of God's heaven and I believe aborted children at any age are and will be in God's heaven.

The issue of abortion is on life and at what point it begins. Life precedes choice *always!*

So then the two sides differ on when life begins. No one has proven exactly when life begins. If I can be proven wrong, I would have rather been wrong on the side of supporting life. To have supported choice and then find out it was life, after having supported the greatest biological holocaust in the history of the world, would be a terrible thing. All women do have a choice. Except for rape, no one forced them to conceive a child. It was their choice.

David Weaver

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Children aborted at any age will be in God's heaven

I appreciated the coverage *The Chart* gave to the abortion issue. I was, however, disturbed by a few comments of the articles. I respect Dr. Banks as a fine teacher, and admire him for taking a stand on issues. I disagree with the poster he held in one of the pictures though. Can legalized abortion make men and women equal? And is the idea that women will perform abortions with a coat hanger, if abortion is banned, any reason to keep something, or even make it legal? Should cocaine be legalized so people can use it openly and get quick help should complications arise? Should we legalize heroin so people

A day at the Capitol with Speaker Bob Griffin

16-hour days are typical for veteran state legislator

[Editor's Note: Jimmy Sexton of The Chart staff recently spent a day at the State Capitol with Bob Griffin, speaker of the Missouri House. Griffin, elected to the legislature in 1970, is considered by many to be the most powerful man in state government. He seeks an unprecedented sixth term as House speaker.]

Bob Griffin arrives at his office in the Missouri Capitol promptly at 9 a.m., but the veteran legislator already has been up for four hours.

"Every morning after I get up, I go and walk fast around the lake," he said. "I usually walk two miles in about 25 or 27 minutes. In the winter time there are a lot of geese around, which makes it calm and peaceful around the area."

Griffin keeps a room at the Jefferson City Ramada Inn year-round. The motel has a small lake nearby, complete with a walking path and exercise stations.

"I've always stayed by myself ever since I've been here," he said. "I think I've stayed in just about every motel in town. I had a trailer at one time, and I even lived in an apartment. But I prefer being by myself, and it gives me a chance to get away."

"A lot of people in the state do not realize how much work and how many hours these lawmakers put in. They put in all those hours because they want to and they like doing the work."

—Bob Griffin, speaker of the House

Griffin is scheduled this particular morning to tape a public television segment at 9:15 with other lawmakers on the appropriations process. However, the appointment is canceled by the show's organizers and rescheduled for another date, leaving Griffin 45 extra minutes before his next meeting.

"The TV show is a 30-minute program that looks at different aspects of the legislature," said Griffin. "It's put out all over the state to help educate school kids and adults about what happens in the Capitol and what the representatives and senators actually do."

Griffin, 54, holds two degrees from the University of Missouri-Columbia—a bachelor of science degree in business administration, which he received in 1957, and a doctor of jurisprudence degree in law, which he received two years later.

Upon college graduation, Griffin served in the U.S. Air Force as a member of the Judge Advocate General's Department for three years. He and his wife of 32 years, Linda, reside in Cameron, a town of nearly 5,000 residents about 50 miles north of Kansas City.

Griffin, who has a law practice in Cameron, served as prosecuting attorney of Clinton County from 1963-70 before beginning his state career. In 1977 he was elected speaker pro tem, and four years later he became speaker of the House, where he now serves an unprecedented fifth term.

Several times throughout the year, Griffin works 16- and 18-hour days "which make for a very long week."

"I usually get to the Capitol about 1 p.m. on Monday, take care of business and get the plans lined out for the session, then go in at 3 p.m.," he said. "Tuesdays and Wednesdays are usually pretty long days with a lot of floor work. On Thursdays I try to get out of here by noon and head back home, a three-and-a-half-hour drive."

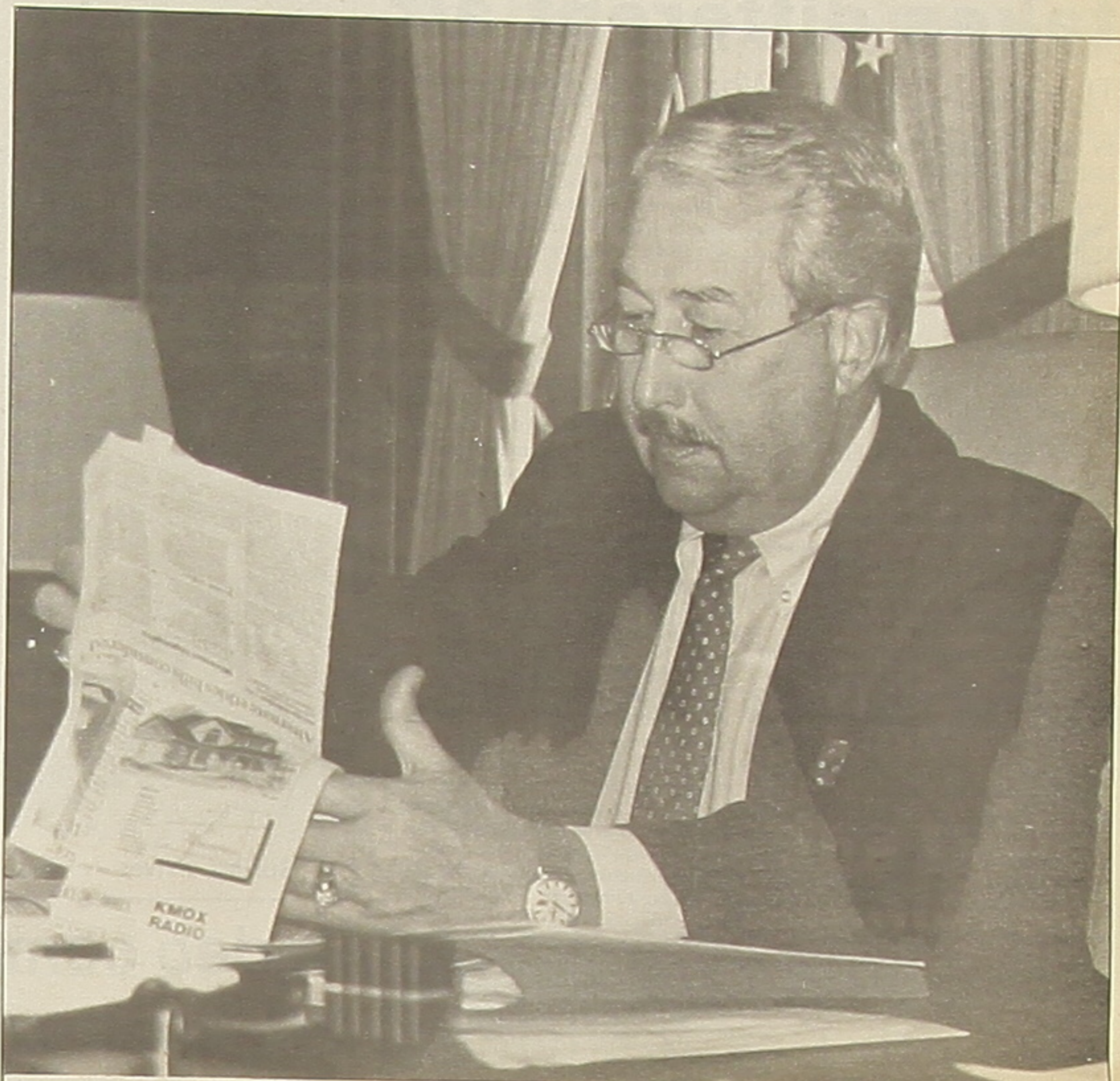
Griffin is at the Capitol every week, even during the summer when the lawmakers are not in session. Sometimes he tries to take a three-day weekend, but it

does not work out often.

"I don't know that many people who can just up and leave. Most of the legislators go home to work, farm, sell insurance, or work in the plant in order to get in some extra money."

"A lot of people in the state do not realize how much work and how many hours these lawmakers put in. They put in all those hours because they want to and they like doing the work. Some states have 100-day sessions throughout the year, but that tends to promote full-time legislators and you can't make plans for your life otherwise."

During the next half hour Griffin receives two phone calls concerning filings for the general election in November and an update on a recent proposal brought before the House. Talking politics, he discusses the death of Sen. Richard Web-



STAFF PHOTO BY JIMMY L. SEXTON

Looking it over

During his daily morning meeting with the Democratic leadership of the Missouri House of Representatives, Speaker Bob Griffin examines some newspaper clippings before heading into the morning session. Griffin calls these meetings to go over the agenda for the day's session.

ster and the subsequent effect it will have on southwest Missouri.

"I don't think a lot of people realize just how powerful a man Dick Webster was," Griffin said. "Sen. Webster worked on many issues up here with a lot of different people. There were times when some legislators didn't agree with him but they went along with him anyway because they were scared of him."

"Those were the ones who, though some of them did not personally like the senator, respected the man not for his power but for who he was."

According to Griffin, southwest Missouri may be heading into troubled waters without Webster for protection.

"Even though southwest Missouri has some fine legislators," he said, "they will never be Dick Webster. Dick looked after his part of the state and especially kept a watchful eye on Missouri Southern. There will be some who remember the man, but there are also others who feel once the politician is out of the Capitol so is everything he believed and worked for."

"But just remember one thing: governors last forever."

About 15 minutes before the House session is to begin at 10 a.m., the Democratic leadership in the House files into the speaker's office for a brief preview of what will take place during the day's session.

"We usually have this little meeting each day before we begin just to see what's coming up and if anything new or unusual is going to happen."

Bob Ward (D-Bonne Terre), the majority whip; Gene Copeland (D-New Madrid), a senior member of the House; Rep.

Tony Ribaud (D-St. Louis), the majority leader; and Rep. Pat Hickey (D-Bridgeton), speaker pro tem; and Griffin discuss various bills and voting procedures that will take place in the session.

The leadership group also is unhappy about the *MO Press*, a Capitol newsletter which utilizes legislative interns to write its stories. The *Press*, Griffin and his colleagues fear, crosses partisan lines and often bashes Democrats.

The bell in the hallway rings a few minutes before 10 a.m., signaling the representatives it is almost time to begin the session. Griffin and his colleagues adjourn the informal meeting and walk to the House chamber where they will meet for the next two hours.

When the session adjourns just past noon, Griffin walks the short distance to his office to check in with his secretaries and decide what he's going to do for lunch.

"I usually leave my lunch hour open because you never know what's going to come up," he said. "I have to be prepared for anything, and quite often I either work through the [House] lunch break or if it's a pretty day I just go for a walk outside to get some fresh air."

"Then, there are the other times when I have my lunch catered in here so I can just work right on through."

Griffin said he gave up the fast-food, McDonald's type of meal about five years ago. Now he just sticks with the low-fat, low-cholesterol meals.

"I like to stick with the simple foods like an occasional salad or grilled chicken breast," he said. "I found a nice little place the other day, run by a black family, that has the best barbecued beef and grilled chicken. I think I'm going to start having

that delivered here."

Upon receiving an invitation by the student government association from Northwest Missouri State University to attend its lobbying luncheon from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Griffin says that's the place for him.

"There gets to be so many of these luncheons up here every year that it's basically just a free lunch. If the schools really wanted to do something for the legislature, they should all go together and do something different than the luncheons. Right now, the schools see it that they can get to the lawmakers by doing something they have to do anyway—eat."

At 1 p.m. Griffin has an interview with John Dvorak, a *Kansas City Star* reporter, about the speaker's swelling war chest of nearly \$150,000 in campaign contributions.

Following Dvorak's 45-minute interview, Griffin prepares for the second half of the day's session, which begins at 2 p.m.

"The Tuesday afternoon sessions are usually the shortest, and we leave somewhere around 6 at night," he said.

Following the close of the House session, Griffin has an out-of-town dinner to attend, then back to the Capitol as usual.

"Each night, after I get out of session, I go eat somewhere, rest for a little while, then come back down to the Capitol and check in at the committee hearings and meetings to see what is happening," said Griffin. "Then I head up to my office, where I usually have quite a few people filing in to talk to me about their different issues. Then, after I get too tired to even move, I go back to my motel."

"I sometimes am able to hit the bed around 11, but more often than not it's after 1 a.m."

Ribaud puts cards on the table by announcing House candidacy

A long-time rumor that Rep. Tony Ribaud (D-St. Louis) wants the House speaker's position finally became official Monday when he circulated letters among Democrats in the House announcing his candidacy to oppose incumbent Bob Griffin.

Both legislators have been vying for support ever since Ribaud's slip last year that he was interested in running for the post. As spring break began on March 22, Griffin said he wanted to get all the cards laid on the table.

"We'll have something that will make it abundantly clear that I have 70 to 75 votes," said Griffin, who is completing an unprecedented fifth term as speaker.

The Democratic-controlled House has 163 members, 59 of whom are Republi-

cans. Both speaker candidates say they can also garner some of the Republican votes.

The speaker will be chosen at a majority party caucus just before the election in November, and that choice will then be ratified by the entire House when it convenes in January.

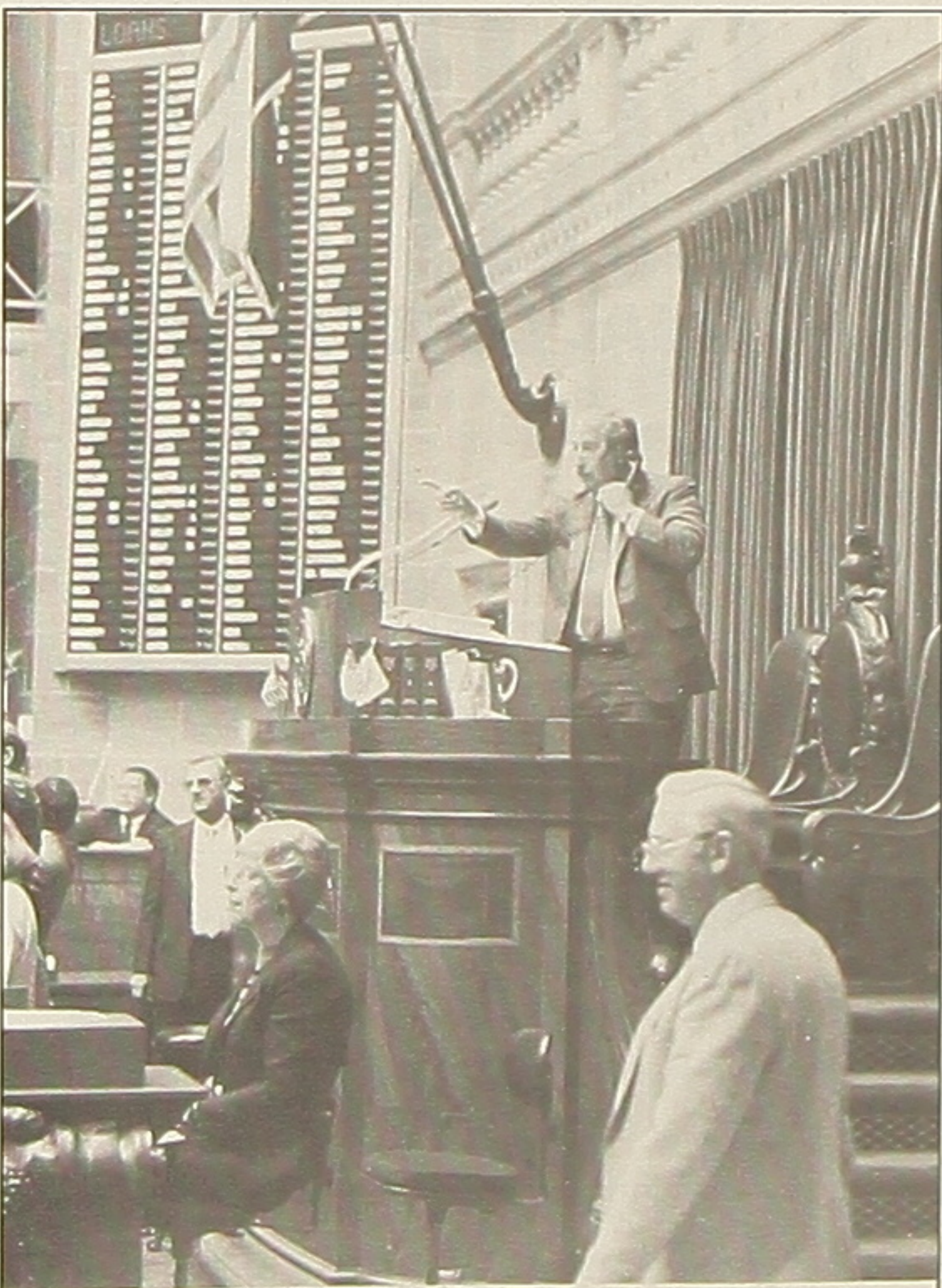
"I had hoped that the speaker's race would not be an issue until after the session, where it properly belongs, but recent reports in the media indicate that others do not share that desire," said Ribaud. "I was also under some political pressure to go ahead and make my intentions clear."

The speaker's position is thought by many to be the second-most powerful in the state, only behind the governor. By having control over the House, the speaker

often can influence legislation by sending bills to friendly or unfriendly committees and appointing different committees and their chairpersons.

During House debate, the speaker is the one who recognizes those who want to speak and he also rules on parliamentary questions.

"Because of the undue pressure which may now be exerted upon not only by my many supporters, but also upon those who are seeking a change but are as yet undecided, I feel I must make my position clear," said Ribaud, who is completing his third term as majority leader. "It is clearly time for leadership with a new direction and a new sense of purpose."



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"Man from..."

Bob Griffin calls on a member of the legislature during a recent afternoon session of the Missouri House. The speaker is seeking an unprecedented sixth term.

1990 Spring Fling takes different air

This year's theme is 'What Would Mom Say?'

BY CARINE PETERSON
EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

Students may realize spring is here when shorts appear on campus, they find it harder to stay inside, and Spring Fling arrives April 9-13.

The theme for Spring Fling '90 is "What Would Mom Say?"

"We wanted to make this year's theme different than the usual Hawaiian Island theme," said Val Carlisle, coordinator of student activities. "We just want it to be pure fun and odd."

According to Carlisle, the highlight of Spring Fling is the cookout, usually drawing 3,000 students, faculty, and guests.

"The main purpose of the cookout is to show the faculty our appreciation for all they have done for us," she said.

Students and faculty must show identification for free admittance. Guests can eat for \$3.

She also said the dance is another tradition of Spring Fling. Music will be provided by *Ipsa Facto*, a band fusing raggae and house music.

David Swenson, who is in charge of the Spring Fling committee along with Traye Rhodes, says a wide variety of music will be played and students can bring their own music as well.

According to Swenson, they "are going for the tacky and tasteless" at the dance.

Carlisle says the activity, the rap, may

appeal only to a certain age group, but there are a wide variety of games and activities to appeal to persons of all ages.

Students will have an opportunity to make their own music video. While a student is either singing or performing lip sync, a video is played in the background. She says there is a wide selection in video backgrounds and students will feel as if they are in a real video.

The Campus Activities Board also has been accepting applications for the Dating Game. Carlisle says they will screen the applicants carefully and the game will be exactly like the one on television. There will be four women and four men selected for the game.

The winners will receive an all-expense-paid date, which will include a limousine.

Other activities include the White Legs Contest, where the least tanned will win, and the Jello Tug-O-War, which involves a pit filled with jello.

"We just want this year's Spring Fling to be different and fun," said Swenson.

Faculty will judge contests such as the White Legs Contest and the Spaghetti Eating Contest.

Cash prizes ranging from \$20 to \$100 will be awarded to participants winning the contests. Carlisle said the amount of award will depend on how much work is put into each contest.

Student activity fees provide the funds for Spring Fling.



STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

Spring arrives Campus gardner Al Wood prepares the soil in front of the main sign in order to plant flowers.

Southern to participate in Earth Day festivities

BY CHRIS COX
STAFF WRITER

The 20th anniversary of Earth Day will be observed at Missouri Southern on April 22-23.

According to Libby Westie, coordinator of the local Earth Day, the environmental fair is of "major importance."

Locally, the activities for Earth Day 1990 will begin at noon on Sunday, April 22, at the campus biology pond with a mayoral proclamation and tree-planting ceremony.

Local businesses and organizations will set up tables to show their products and services; those which they believe have a positive impact on the environment. Tree-planting activities will com-

mence in various locations around Joplin.

On Monday, April 23, a symposium will begin at 10 a.m. in the Matthews Hall auditorium. It will consist of a lecture series, singing, and presentations.

Sponsors for the event include the Campus Activities Board, the Environmental Health Organization, and the Biology Club. The "umbrella" sponsor of the event is the Ozark Earth Society.

"The Ozark Earth Club will carry on environmental issues after Earth Day," Westie said. The club will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. today in Room 314 of the Billingsly Student Center.

Greenpeace will be in the Matthews Hall auditorium at 7 p.m. on Monday April 30 for a multi-media presentation.

Rodeo comes to area with new club

BY DIANE VAN DERA
CAMPUS EDITOR

Should things go according to plan, Missouri Southern soon will have a rodeo team.

Jeff Havelly, a part-time student at Southern, decided to use his experience and knowledge in rodeo to begin a club on campus.

Havelly has been involved in intercollegiate rodeo for six years at schools such as Texas Tech University in addition to teaching rodeo techniques outside of the college arena.

"I thought it would be a good idea," Havelly said. "My long-term goal is to be a rodeo coach, and I thought this would be a good start."

"Besides, it would be good for the school. A good rodeo program really attracts a lot of attention."

The club's first project will be a rodeo clinic in May. The clinic is geared toward people interested in all aspects of rodeo,

but who have not had a chance to become involved enough to learn.

Suzanne Allen, one of the rodeo club's founding members, said the clinic will teach techniques, methods, and how to use essential equipment.

"People won't have to worry. They won't be involved in anything physical that will hurt them," said Havelly.

The club hopes to generate enough revenue to pay the \$100 fee to join the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association.

"It's quite an elaborate deal," Havelly said. "They are really involved and have a good system going. They even have a minimum GPA of 2.0 to rodeo on a college level. You don't have to have a minimum GPA to join our rodeo club, but if your GPA is below 2.0, you're in serious trouble anyway."

"The only reason to belong to NIRA is to compete. The Missouri Southern club is if you just have an interest. You do not have to be a member of NIRA to be a club member."

College rodeo is new to this area. Havelly said in the state that only the University of Missouri-Columbia and Southwest Missouri State University have rodeo teams.

"A lot of states have schools with teams, like Texas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas," said Allen. "It's a big thing like football. The closest one to here is Fort Scott [Kan.] It brings in a lot of people from Missouri and a lot of high school students."

"Our program is going to be better," said Havelly. "I know what it takes, and I think Southern has got it."

Besides being involved with rodeo, the club has plans for philanthropic activities as well. Havelly said members will visit children's hospitals and, after the group becomes better known, will engage in community fund raisers. According to Havelly, philanthropic work is important.

"The sororities and fraternities around here go out to help the community," he said. "but some other clubs go out to make money for themselves and they forget the others. We won't do that."

Upcoming Events

Today April 5	LDSSA Noon Room 314 BSC	Softball vs. Missouri Western 3 p.m.	Pi Beta Lambda 7 p.m. Room 311 BSC	Mr. 10 Contest 7 p.m. Third Floor BSC
Tomorrow April 6	Interviews Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. Sign Up Room 207 BSC	Softball hosts Lady Lions Classic TBA	Tennis at PSU Invitational TBA	Transientz 9 p.m. Lions' Den
Saturday April 7	Baseball vs. Lincoln 1 p.m.	Tennis at University of Missouri 1 p.m.	Young Author's Conference On Campus Sites 1:15 p.m.	Tri-State Triathlon 9 p.m. Young Gymnasium
Monday April 9	Academic Policies 3 p.m. Room 306 BSC	Sigma Nu 5 p.m. Room 311 BSC	'In All Seriousness' 7 p.m. Second Floor Lounge BSC	Cab Movie 'Heathers' 9:30 p.m. Lions' Den
Tuesday April 10	Math League Noon Keystone BSC	'White Legs Contest' Noon Lions' Den	Film Society 'End of St. Petersburg' 7:30 p.m. Connor Ballroom	Cab Movie 'Heathers' 7 & 9:30 Lions' Den
Wednesday April 11	Baptist Student Union Noon Room 311 BSC	Baseball at Southwest Baptist 1 p.m.	Cab Contest 'Jeopardy' 2 p.m. Lions' Den	Cab Dance 9 p.m. Biology Pond

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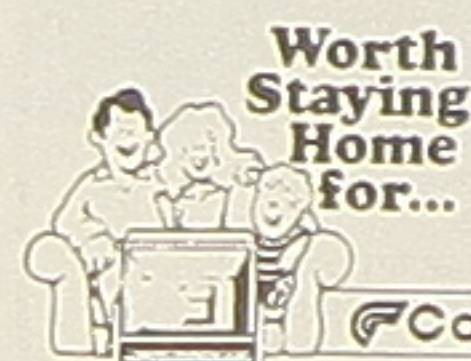


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'Jazzers' to play tonight

BY HEATHER ALLEN
STAFF WRITER

Tonight the Missouri Southern jazz band will perform its spring concert at 7:30 in the Taylor Performing Arts Center.

The concert will feature 11 selections, including "You-N-Me," "T.J.'s Boogie," and "Movin' In Style." Most of the music the band plays is popular music of the 1920s through the '40s and early '50s.

Dan Reid, junior piano soloist, said no one appreciates jazz like the performers themselves because they don't realize what has been put into it. He said jazz is something a person acquires a taste for.

"Jazz isn't popular in this area, and no one gets to hear a lot of it," Reid said. "However, in metropolitan areas jazzers have been brought up with it throughout their lives."

Evidence for this might be that most people who attend Southern jazz concerts are not from the Joplin area.

Robert Meeks, assistant professor of music, said listening to jazz can be a form of learning critical thinking.

"It broadens music horizons by allowing us to appreciate things in more directions," said Meeks. "For every area of music individuals participate in, they are broadening their horizons."

Troy Harryman, sophomore saxophone soloist, said he would like to see Southern's jazz band continue to grow.

"If we keep growing we can get better players, and we would have more than one jazz band with different levels of players," said Harryman.

Holly Lehar, sophomore trombone soloist, said it seems as if the band gets better every semester.

"We're getting more quality musicians and taking it more seriously," she said.

As a group, the 22-member jazz band practices twice a week. Its instruments consist of saxophones, trumpets, trombones, piano, bass drums, and guitars.

Reid said growth of the band depends on how much the performers want to be jazz musicians.

"It's easy to just learn notes and read music," said Reid, "but it takes a lot to express your thoughts and style through your instrument. If we want this jazz band to grow, we will need to go to area high schools and talk with them and perform for the students."

"Auditions are held during the first week of school," said Meeks. "That would be an advantage for having more than one band. Jazz music calls for a certain number, and because we are growing, we have to cut out more players during auditioning."

To the band's knowledge, Southern is the only college offering jazz improvisation—playing the sounds a person hears instantaneously.



STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

Hold that note

The Choral Society rehearses for its kick-off concert for the Southern Arts Festival. The group will perform at 8 p.m. April 16 in Taylor Performing Arts Center.

Film society to show last classic of annual festival

Feature details Russian Revolution of 1917

The Russian film classic, *The End of St. Petersburg*, will bring an end to this year's Missouri Southern Film Society Festival.

The silent film is scheduled to be shown at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Connor Ballroom of Billingsley Student Center.

The End of St. Petersburg is said to be "a powerful film that dramatically conveys the intensity of mass struggle" during the Russian Revolution of 1917 as seen through the eyes of a family.

A young peasant boy seeks work in the city in order to survive. Ignorant of the situation, he becomes a strike-breaker. Upon realizing the reason for the strike, the boy attacks the employer and is imprisoned. He is then forced into the army at the beginning of World War I and is swept into events leading to the replacement of St. Petersburg by Leningrad.

V.I. Pudovkin, director of the film, was considered a master of film editing. Many

believe this to be one of his best works.

Pare Lorentz, film author, was pleased with the work. He said it is "a picture of the Russian Revolution that may honestly be called a masterpiece."

"As a history of the rise of the Soviet government, this movie is romantic fiction," said Lorentz, "but as a movie, *The End of St. Petersburg* is dramatic, thrilling, and beautiful."

The *New York Herald Tribune* found the film "fine and moving with enormous pictorial power and imagination." It said it was "a cinematic achievement."

Along with *The End of St. Petersburg*, the short film *Bezhin Meadow* will be shown. The film is a reconstruction of Sergei Eisenstein's controversial film which was destroyed during World War II.

Admission for both films is \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for students.

70 education majors to help at conference

BY GWEN MAPLES
STAFF WRITER

Approximately 600 students representing 56 elementary schools from 31 school districts in Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma will be on campus Saturday for the second annual Young Author's Conference.

The day-long conference will begin with registration and conclude with the Young Author's Recognition Ceremony.

Dr. Betty Cagle, coordinator of YAC, said Sandy Asher, author of *Teddy Teabury's Peanut Problem* and *Best Friends Get Better*, will meet with the children during the day. At the recognition ceremony, each student will receive an autographed book from Asher.

Pat Koppman, president of the International Reading Association and an educational consultant who operates her own firm in San Diego, will meet with parents during the day.

Each attending school held its own recognition night for awards, and from this 12 young authors were chosen from each school district to attend YAC.

Cagle said preparation for the annual conference is like a never-ending cycle.

"I have been preparing for the conference since last year's conference ended," she said. "Saturday will be the only day I will rest. Once it is over it is time to prepare for next year's conference."

Cagle does have some help, however. Nearly 70 education majors will be at work at the conference.

"These pre-service teachers will work with the young authors and will have various duties to attend to during the day," said Cagle.

Recently, education majors attended the Missouri State Council of the International Reading Association (MSC-IRA) state conference in Springfield and were recognized as a council of honor. Southern's education majors were the only persons to receive the award.

Lyrics put under seige

Industry weakens under pressure from parents

BY ANGIE STEVENSON
ARTS EDITOR

Varied interpretation of rights under the First Amendment continues to serve as a problem for the music industry.

The censorship debate has attracted increasing attention in recent months as more and more parents and organized groups continue to complain about the music their children are being sold in record stores across the country.

The subject has become so intense that many record companies will not even address the subject. Locally, neither Camelot Music or Musicland at Northpark Mall in Joplin would comment on the matter. Bruce Hodson, Musicland manager, said the reason for this silence hinges on providing a unified front.

"If you had 800 different stores giving comments on this tedious subject, there would probably be varied response," said Hodson. "The company wants response to coincide. Any information about the subject must come directly from them."

One method used to cut down on parental complaints is labeling those albums which contain explicit lyrics with a warning sticker mentioning the product's content. Those stickered products are available for purchase only by those who are 18 years of age or older. This move, however, has not ended the controversy.

Chris Claassen, a freshman at Missouri Southern, works as an assistant manager at a Disc Jockey record store in Des Moines, Iowa, when he is not at the College. He said labeling has cut down on a few of the complaints from parents, but

the age restriction is not enforced strictly enough by the sales clerks.

One such case in a Record Bar in Sarasota, Fla., led to the arrest of a 15-year-old clerk for the sale of a 2 Live Crew album to an 11-year-old girl. Although it was the clerk that was arrested, many officials believe it is the record company that should be prosecuted.

Claassen said, it is this kind of pressure that causes record companies to become increasingly more strict in their policies.

One pressing question is where to draw the line. According to the March 10 issue of *Newsweek*, if passed, a Pennsylvania bill would require labels for "lyrics describing or advocating suicide, incest, sodomy, morbid violence, or several other things."

Those opposed to censorship argue that different people will find different things offensive and that it will be hard to draw the line without upsetting someone. There are also those who believe there must be limitations. The Parents' Music Resource Center (PMRC), for example, is in favor of printing song lyrics on album jackets so that parents will know what kind of music their children are buying.

Record labeling laws continue to be introduced in more states, and the record company, not the label, is taking most of the heat. Claassen believes this probably will result in many companies taking controversial material off the shelf altogether and may ultimately force recording artists to soften or change their style.

"Some of the groups probably used the lyrics because they knew it would sell," said Claassen. "Now that it will be hard to get a hold of, they might change their strategy."

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STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

Switchman Frank McCully is a switchman for Burlington Northern, named Industry of the Month for April.

Chamber names April Industry of the Month

BY KEVIN MCCLINTOCK
STAFF WRITER

Burlington Northern Railroad, Joplin's only railroad agency, has become spring's first "Industry of the Month."

"Both myself and my company have taken a great deal of pride in being selected as the Industry of the Month," said Tom Hall, trainmaster.

"We are, and want to continue to be very much a part of Joplin's industrial base."

Hall explained that the employees would take this pride and use it to better the whole of Joplin and the surrounding area.

"We hope to walk with the community, hand in hand, to build and strengthen economic growth, which is what, unfortunately, this city needs," he said.

Burlington Northern was started in Joplin 113 years ago, known then as the St. Louis-San Francisco Railroad. At that time it established one of the first railroads in this area, known as the "Frisco Line."

Today it is a small section in the continuous rail systems which operate through 26 states from the Pacific Northwest to the Gulf ports of Mobile, Pensacola, and Houston.

"We mostly deal with the transportation of business using the rail-car, highway trailer, and home-rail cars, and in this

area we primarily move feed, scrap-metal, heat exchangers too heavy and too big to move on the highways, acids, lumbars, and fertilizer," Hall said.

"In Joplin, our customers form a large part of the base of local industry."

According to Hall, Burlington has two long-term goals.

"The focal goal of Burlington Northern is centered on quality service to our customers," he said. "We've adopted a program called Service By Design."

This involves the prediction of service times across the rail system, using modern technology. With this system, Hall said they would be able to predict service times within four hours of actual arrival.

Hall said the second goal deals with the elimination of unused rail crossing through out Joplin.

"Our first project will be centered on the destruction of some rails on Seventh Street," he said.

According to Hall, Burlington Northern orients its whole business to the customer.

"We try to fit a mix to the customer between a personalized contact through customer agents and modern electronic technology," he said.

According to Hall, Burlington Northern provides 24-hour-a-day car tracing and information. It also provides marketing representatives specialized in the transportation of industrial, agricultural, and food and consumer products.

Telemarketing group opens Joplin branch

California-based Zacson provides new jobs

BY CHRISTOPHER CLARK
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Zacson Corporation, a nationally recognized telemarketing service agency, has opened its sixth branch in Joplin.

Zacson, which also has offices in suburban Chicago; Pleasanton, Calif.; Garland, Texas; Iowa City, Iowa; and St. Joseph; was established in 1980. The Joplin branch opened its doors March 21.

Located at 32nd and Rangeline in the Southside Shopping Center, the company handles telemarketing for several clients, including Discover Card, Sears, J.C. Penney, and Montgomery Ward.

To date, Zacson has provided at least 12 jobs for Missouri Southern students. Buddy Bumpus, sales center manager for Zacson, said his company plans to hire at least 50 more people within the next two months. Bumpus said turnover is "fairly high" and that telemarketing is "not for everyone."

"It requires good communications skills," Bumpus said. "It requires intensity and a really motivated individual. It can be very rewarding."

According to Bumpus, the College's student employment office was helpful in finding workers for Zacson.

"Mindy Chism (student employment officer) has been very helpful," Bumpus said. "If students are interested in working here, they can get an application from Mindy and then contact us."

The company began making calls March 22 after training some of its callers on the 21st. Bumpus said the business has plans to expand its service to 100 phones, which

would force Zacson to occupy a larger chunk of the Southside Shopping Center.

Currently, the business' only identification is an 8 1/2 x 11 sheet of paper, with "Zacson Corporation entrance" printed on it. While Zacson's Joplin branch may not be easily noticeable from the road, Bumpus said he is working to get signs up so people will know the business is there.

"We're still pulling it all together," he said. "We had our first training class with sawdust still on the floor. We'll have the office together by the end of the week."

"We should have our signs up real soon."

"We have already had good productivity," Bumpus said. "We've got some good people already on the phone."

Employees work during the evenings and on Saturdays, and wages begin at minimum wage and then work up to \$4.25 for the first two weeks. After two weeks, workers receive commission pay at \$3.80 plus an average of \$1-\$3 per hour.

Bumpus said there were many factors which brought Zacson to Joplin.

"The availability of the workforce was one thing," he said. "There are fairly low operating costs. Also, the work ethic of the people here was a factor. There appears to be a strong work ethic. There are good people here in Joplin."

Bumpus said there are numerous opportunities for those who are willing to work in telemarketing.

"There are a lot of opportunities for advancement," Bumpus said. "We'll be opening additional locations throughout the country in the near future."

Bumpus, a native of Nashville, worked at a publishing agency in North Little Rock, Ark., before coming to Joplin.

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Announcement

Election For Student Senate Executive Officers

Election of Student Executive Officers for the 1990-91 school year will be held April 25 (Primary, if necessary) and April 30 (General).

Offices include: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Candidates must be 1) enrolled as a full-time student at MSSC (12 hours or more), 2) achieve a 2.5 or better G.P.A., and 3) be completing at least 60 hours at the time of election (29 hours must be at MSSC). To run, a candidate must obtain a petition from the Student Services Office (BSC 211). Petitions will be available April 16 and must be returned to the Student Services office by 5 p.m., Friday, April 20, 1990 to be placed on the ballot.

For more info,
contact the Student Services Office.

Route 66 may see new life if bills pass

'Mother road' may turn into historic route

BY JIMMY L. SEXTON
MANAGING EDITOR

People who once got their kicks on Route 66 soon may find some fond memories coming back as Missouri takes a step forward to preserve the famous highway.

Sen. John Russell (R-Lebanon) is sponsoring legislation that would designate

U.S. Highway 66 as an historic route of the state. In turn, the department of highways and transportation would place markings and informational signs along its path in recognition of its historic significance.

"There have been several different people and organizations in the state who have expressed an interest in keeping the highway alive," said Russell. "These peo-

ple want to see it preserved for posterity. Many people who used to travel the road remember when it was a major artery to the West Coast from Chicago, and they don't want to let it die."

State representatives Dan Woodall (R-Springfield) and Jim Mitchell (R-Richland), who are sponsoring the House bill of the same version, claim the measure could promote renewed tourism of some of the smaller towns which were located along Route 66 but bypassed by Interstate 44.

Both the Senate and House bills gained unanimous approval from lawmakers in early March, with the final decision by Gov. John Ashcroft possibly coming in May.

If both bills are approved by the Governor, Russell said the state could see signs going up sometime next year and the highway coming back to life.

Route 66 was made famous by a 1960s television show, Bobby Troup's "Get your kicks on Route 66," an Oscar-winning motion picture, and John Steinbeck's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel *The Grapes of Wrath*, which termed the passageway "the mother road."

"What really sets Route 66 apart is the people along the highway," Jim Powell, founder of the Missouri chapter of the Route 66 Association, said. "There was always something magical about the way Route 66 rolled off your tongue."

According to Powell, if the bill is passed the National Park Service will undertake a two-year study of the famous highway and its landmarks.

The road was born in 1926 in Chicago and trekked for 2,448 miles through eight states before ending in Santa Monica, Calif. More than 300 miles of the famous path cut through Missouri, connecting St. Louis, Springfield, and Joplin along a line that roughly parallels Interstate 44.

In 1985 Route 66 was officially shut down, falling prey to the interstate highway system.

"Route 66 is arguably the most famous highway in the United States," Powell said. "It was the first route west for many people, and it may have been the first highway to be completely paved along its length. It has been billed as the mainstreet of America for many years. It represents what America is and what it always will be."

Capitol Briefs

Conference features actor from Missouri

► Television and film star Dennis Weaver will highlight the agenda of speakers at the 1990 Governor's Conference on Natural Resources on April 12-13 at Hearnes Fieldhouse in Columbia.

"We are delighted to have Mr. Weaver as one of our guest speakers," said Tracy Mehan, director of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. "He is a stimulating and challenging speaker who will enliven our conference discussions."

Weaver, a native of Joplin, has been involved in environmental causes for several years, but is best known for his roles as "Chester" in the TV series *Gunsmoke* and as "Marshal Sam McCloud."

The conference is a statewide forum for debate and dialogue on environmental issues, with Gov. John Ashcroft addressing the conference at 2:45 p.m. April 12.

Missouri could join five-state compact

► Sen. Harry Wiggins (D-Kansas City) is introducing a proposal into the Missouri Senate that would bring the state into the Midwest High Speed Rail Compact, an organization of five states working to bring ultra-fast, environmentally safe trains to the central United States.

"This may be one of the most exciting possibilities in the history of transportation," said Wiggins. "These silent, pollution-free bullet trains that can reach speeds of 400 miles-per-hour are no longer a dream."

If the bill passes, Missouri would join Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, and Pennsylvania in the compact.

Since its creation in 1981, the Compact has worked to monitor technological advancements in high-speed rail technology and to inform Congress of the potential they hold for resolving future transportation problems.

Fishermen battle over catfish rights

► Many sport fishermen in Nebraska are at odds with biologists and other fishermen over the rights to catch catfish in the Missouri River, claiming that overfishing by netters is threatening to turn the Missouri into a dead river.

On the other hand, commercial fishermen who make a substantial living by seining the Missouri's muddy waters maintain there are more fish than ever.

"If it keeps up, they're going to have 350 miles of dead river," said Jim Mason, a former commercial fisherman who guides sport fishermen on the Missouri.

The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission renewed the debate last fall when its biologists proposed banning commercial netting of catfish on the river because of overharvesting.

The commission has said that agreement among the other Missouri River states is needed before it could act on such a ban.

DNR compiles recreation needs

► After conducting a series of 12 public meetings, the Department of Natural Resources has concluded that Missourians' priority for outdoor recreation is the creation of more areas for outdoor enjoyment.

"Millions of people visit parks throughout the state," said Tracy Mehan, department director. "This fact underscores the importance Missourians place on outdoor recreation issues and their commitment to a system of local, state, and national parks."

In addition to the public meetings, the department plans to launch another project to learn more about outdoor recreations in Missouri.



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Lonely highway

The Las Vegas Hotel and Barber Shop, in Halltown, Mo., was built along Route 66 by a Californian named Charlie Dammer in 1935. The cafe is located downstairs and the little building next door is the barbershop. The famous passageway does not see much action after its closure in 1985.

Record-labeling issue rockets Dixon to spotlight

Rookie lawmaker calls for regulation of purchases

BY JIMMY L. SEXTON
MANAGING EDITOR

She has been called a religious fanatic, a zealot, and a right wing ideologue. Relationships with her lawmaking colleagues are strained, but Rep. Jean Dixon (R-Springfield) remains adamant about her crusade against offensive rock lyrics.

For the second year in a row, Dixon has filed legislation that would put warning labels on albums, cassettes, and compact discs sold in Missouri that contain explicit, "offensive" lyrics.

Dixon's label, which would be printed in black letters on a fluorescent yellow background, placed on the front cover of the recording, would read, "Warning: Contains lyrics or material which promotes or advocates one or more of the following: suicide; explicit sexual acts including but not limited to rape, sodomy, incest, bestiality, and sadomasochism; murder; morbid violence; or the use of illegal drugs."

With 41 co-signers of the bill, Dixon insists that if the measure passes through committee and onto the House floor, it will be passed. Though it failed last year, Dixon is delighted her efforts have spurred legislators in six other states to introduce similar record-labeling proposals.

"I think my chances are very good that my bill will go on through," said Dixon. "Maybe not this year, but next year. I could have had more co-signers if I'd have just taken the time to get them."

Dixon said she has received thousands

of signatures in support of her bill from "plain old grass roots Missouri."

"As far as support goes, I've gotten letters from people of all ages," she said. "From older people I've gotten letters from grandparents who are concerned about their grandkids, and I've gotten letters from people who have come through that time in their life when they were real involved with that kind of music."

The 41-year-old lawmaker, in her first term, said there is plenty of evidence that points to a link between provocative rock lyrics and some of the actions and behavior exhibited by many of the state's youths.

"Statistics of young people attempting suicide yearly show that there is somewhere between 600,000 and 1 million attempts every year," she said. "And somewhere between 6,000 and 10,000 succeed in it. Much of this music contributes to teen violence, teen pregnancy, robbery, murder, and drug abuse."

Dixon cites a case about a year ago in Columbia where a young boy murdered his stepfather and had a notebook filled with heavy metal lyrics that the prosecutor in the case wanted to use. The notebook of rock lyrics, officials said, provided the support and motivation for the killing.

"We see examples like Richard Ramirez in California who was the nightsticker, who admitted in court that the music motivated him and he would go and listen to it four or five hours a day," said Dixon. "The album was *Highway to Hell*, by AC/DC, and the song he used for that motivation was 'Night Prowler.'"

Dixon's bill would:

- ✓ require the placement of warning labels under the cellophane wrappers on albums, tapes, and CDs;
- ✓ require a minimum age of 17 for attendance by unaccompanied individuals to concerts given by performers that advocate or describe explicit material;
- ✓ require that lyrics be printed both on the outside of albums and be included inside cassette tapes and CDs;
- ✓ require retailers to refund the purchase price of any album, tape, or CD which contains explicit lyrics that is sold to an individual under the age of 17; and
- ✓ set up a course of action against musicians and record companies for individuals claiming to have been injured as a result of explicit lyrics.

Dixon's proposal received its first legislative hearing in late February when it was presented to a House subcommittee. However, Dixon, the first person to make legislative attempts to mandate labeling of recordings in the country, has gained national attention by appearing on the *Today* show, *Crossfire*, and National Public Radio to discuss the measure. Such unforeseen attention by a rookie legislator has brought Dixon looks of disapproval from her lawmaking colleagues.

"I think she's attracted the strong media attention that she has because she has very strong personal convictions, and unlike most politicians, doesn't attempt to mask them," said Rep. Joseph Ortwerth (R-St. Peters).

Dixon said she is sponsoring the legislation only in pursuit of the "really, really raunchy" acts such as *Megadeth*, *Iron Maiden*, *WASP*, *The Beastie Boys*, and *2 Live Crew*.

"What we've done, as legislators, is put pressure on the retail merchandisers," she said. "It won't cost the recording companies but a few pennies for a label."

Even if the measure does gain House approval and eventually becomes Missouri law, children of all ages still will be able to purchase the recording, unless the record stores voluntarily request identification before the purchase or pull those recordings from the shelves.

However, opponents of Dixon's proposal, namely the recording industry, say the measure would affect too many recordings and would hinder freedom of speech. In addition, they claim it would place heavy burdens on the songwriters and musicians and would constitute censorship.

"That's (censorship) a big red herring thrown out up here by the news media simply to try and condition the minds of the public to make them think its censorship when it's not," said Dixon. "Now there is censorship going on here, and it's on the behalf of those people who want to censor vital information from parents."

"We're trying to offer more information

so the parents can make an intelligent and informed decision. The real censors in this issue are the opponents of the bill because they want to censor the label and censor the parental information out there from the front of this album."

"They would rather mandate parental ignorance is basically what it boils down to."

When it comes right down to it, Dixon says, it is up to the parents to make the decision what they want to purchase for their children or want to allow their children to listen to.

Jason Berman, president of the Recording Industry Association of America, does not believe that type of music "triggers disastrous effects in youth."

Berman is urging the government not to get involved in the issue of explicit music lyrics. He says the obligation is on the part of the parents, not the record companies or the government, to screen the type of music children listen to.

He also said record-labeling does not replace parental discretion and that the recording industry "may need to do a better job of policing itself through voluntary labeling."

"A warning label is only as effective as the parenting that goes with it," he said. "In a free society, it is the listener who should judge our work, not the legislators."

However, Dixon says the recording industry is trying to shirk its responsibilities by not voluntarily labeling certain music.

"They're trying to say that they can come out here and be able to say whatever they want to say, any manner of obscenity and profanity, and have absolutely no responsibility for what they say," she said.

Dixon said she listens to classical and folk music, and has always been a fan country music. Some of the lyric research she does herself, but she said she has several other people also researching song lyrics.

The record-labeling bill is presently awaiting its fate in the House civil and criminal justice committee.



STAFF PHOTO BY JIMMY L. SEXTON

Off the floor

Rep. Jean Dixon (R-Springfield) confers with Steve Smith, "a concerned volunteer," on the side gallery of the Missouri House. Dixon has come under fire from her colleagues for her many absences from the floor to grant interviews and talk on the telephone.



STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

Instruction Senior Lisa Melton works with a group of children at Fairview Elementary school in Carthage.

Images rarely match Melton's imagination

Senior expresses her talent in different ways

BY JEFF BAUER
CHART REPORTER

An artist is a person who imagines great things, but rarely achieves the greatness to show others what she imagines in her mind.

Lisa Melton, art education major, is now using her artistic ability in the classroom.

"The images I show you never seem to compare with the images I imagine," she said. "I always fall short, but I am always improving."

Melton spent two years at Longview Community College in Lee's Summit, graduating with an associate's degree in general education.

She transferred to Missouri Southern in 1988 and will graduate in May with a bachelor of science in education degree with an emphasis on art.

"I chose Southern because of its reasonable cost, country location, and I liked the art department," said Melton.

Melton, who is doing her student teaching at Fairview Elementary in Carthage and Carthage Junior High, says she would like to have an influence on her students.

"I want my students to learn something about themselves and about their artistic ability," she said. "I want to teach them to express their feelings and to mold their ideas through their art."

Melton's family, and later her teachers, encouraged her to pursue art.

"I was quiet in school," she said. "Art gave me a way to express myself without having to speak."

Melton has expressed her talent in many different types of art.

"I enjoy doing three-dimensional and abstract projects along with ceramics and working on the wheel," said Melton.

Her talent has been awarded with many honors, including a fine arts scholarship at Southern.

"I won first place for my vernaculite-plaster sculpture in the annual Southern Showcase competition," said Melton. "I was astonished."

Aside from her art, Melton enjoys many activities outside of class.

"I like to play racquetball, exercise at the fitness center, and swim," she said.

Melton describes herself as an independent woman who is determined to use her abilities to the fullest.

Wolf juggles teaching, city work

BY JENNY KEMBLE
STAFF WRITER

Practicing law is not unlike teaching school.

This is the opinion of Blake Wolf, an assistant prosecuting attorney in Joplin. He also is a part-time Business Law instructor at Missouri Southern.

"You have to educate a jury the same way you would teach students in a classroom," he said. "You have to keep their attention."

Wolf has not always been an attorney. After graduating from Southern with a criminal justice administration degree, he worked as an officer for the Joplin Police Department for seven years.

He received his law degree from the University of Arkansas in 1986. He then went on to pass his bar exam, not just in

Missouri, but in Arkansas and Kansas as well.

"The exam in Arkansas took three days," he said. "The ones in Kansas and Missouri lasted two days."

After working a year with a local firm, he accepted the position of assistant prosecuting attorney, one of six in Joplin.

Wolf handles a variety of cases, from criminal offenses such as stealing and rape, to civil cases, such as those involving child support and paternity suits.

"You can't be a good civil attorney unless you get a lot of courtroom experience," he said.

He deals with an average of 20 to 30 cases each week.

"Some weeks, we may do 40 to 50," Wolf said. "Other weeks, as few as 10."

Roberta Hill, a member of the clerical staff at the prosecutor's office, said, "Blake

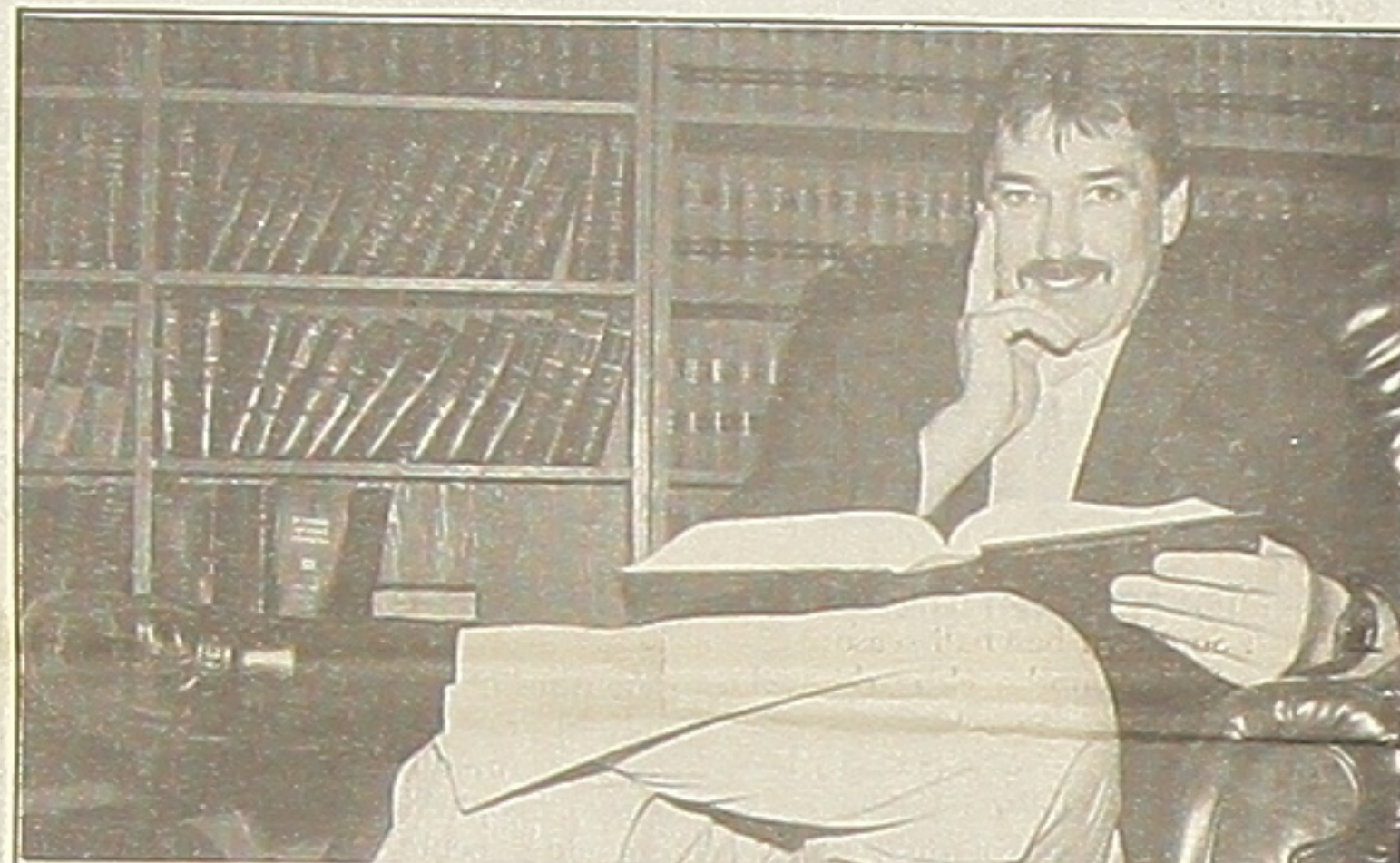
practically lives at the courthouse. He is very dedicated to his work."

When Wolf is not at work, he enjoys spending time with his children, Austin, 7, and Lauren, 5. He coaches their basketball, indoor soccer, and T-ball teams throughout the year.

"My kids are a major part of my life," he said. "If I could teach them anything, it would be to be happy and to do their best at whatever they do."

Wolf has been teaching part-time at Southern for two years. He is impressed with the quality and intelligence of the students and considers himself fortunate to be teaching here.

"I feel there is no better institution than Missouri Southern," he said. "I'll be glad to teach here as long as they want me."



STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

Joplin law Blake Wolf is an assistant prosecuting attorney for Joplin and a part-time instructor of business law.

Clark values time with family

BY TED CONN
CHART REPORTER

A teacher and a family man, Charles "Bud" Clark, director of choral activities, loves his children and his job.

"Music is a hobby that has become my job," he says. "My biggest hobby is taking care of my two- and three-year-olds."

Clark has been married for five years and has a son and a daughter.

"Family becomes an important thing when you spend as much time with work as I do."

Clark taught junior high for five years at Grandview, Mo. He then taught for 14 years at Missouri high schools at Hickman, St. Charles, and Sedalia before coming to Missouri Southern in August.

"You come to a crossroads in life where

you say 'What the heck,' he says. "Nothing ventured, nothing gained."

"I chose Missouri Southern because I like the area down here; it's a good place to raise children."

Clark, who has organized a show choir called Southern Exposure, plans to build upon the College's music program.

"I want students to look at Southern's music program seriously before deciding to go somewhere else," he says.

Clark tries to teach with a positive attitude.

"People can't be happy around you unless you are happy with yourself."

Clark's students like this positive setting.

"He comes out as a positive-type figure," says freshman Andy Love. "He has made the choir exciting and fun to be in."

"When you have an instructor who puts

so much into a class," says sophomore Gary Bledsoe, "you get into the class better because it is more fun."

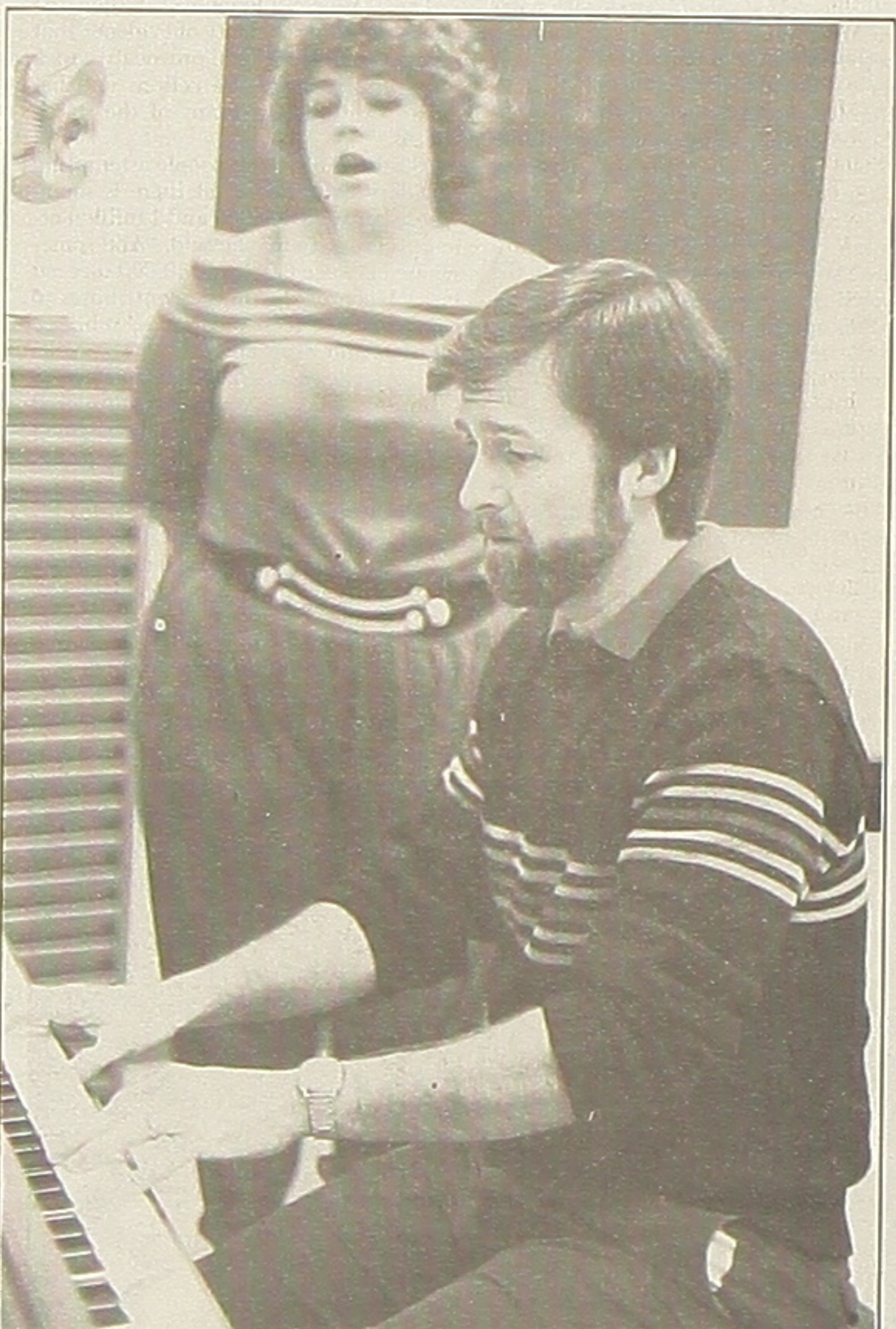
Some things do bring Clark down, though.

"I don't like quitters," he says. "Once you dedicate yourself to something, stick to it."

In addition to his years of teaching, Clark has written and sold his own music and has placed in the top 20 in an international barbershop quartet competition. He also enjoys playing tennis, swimming, and racquetball.

Clark still thinks of his job as his greatest accomplishment.

"Teaching college has been a dream of mine," he says, and now he is living that dream.



STAFF PHOTO BY CARINE PETERSON

Man on the keys Bud Clark, Southern's director of choral activities, finds his biggest hobby is taking care of his children.

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on this topic. Let me quote from a summary of the report which appears in May 1989 *APA Monitor*. "...concentrated on 21 of the best studies on abortion for its review. The group concluded that severe negative reactions are rare and in line with those following other normal life stresses. The time of greatest distress is likely to be before the abortion."

"The APA working group did find that women were more likely to suffer negative reactions if they initially desired a child.

lacked support from partner or parents, or were less sure of their decisions and delayed the abortion until the second trimester of pregnancy."

"The APA report is expected to be used to counter the arguments of pro-life groups that abortion causes women severe stress even several years following the procedure."

Given that abortion is such an emotional issue, we must all be cautious of spreading "facts" without checking the sources. In addition, as a scientist, I must

point out that a more appropriate comparison would be how the stress of abortion compares with the stress of childbirth and giving up a child for adoption or the stress of childbirth and raising an unwanted child. I know of no research which addresses this question.

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Coming Soon! The Final Edit

Lady Lions select high school coach

Ballard wins 96 straight at Marshfield

BY CHRISTOPHER CLARK
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Scott Ballard, who coached the Marshfield High School girls basketball team to 96 consecutive wins and three straight state championships, yesterday was named the Lady Lions new head coach.

Ballard replaces Janet Gabriel, who resigned in February following two seasons as head coach.

This is Ballard's first collegiate head coaching assignment. While at Marshfield, he guided the Lady Jays to a 199-55 record over nine years. This year the Lady Jays won their third straight Class 3A state crown with a 32-0 record. The team was ranked 14th in the final USA Today Super 25 national girls prep rankings. Ballard led his team to five 20-plus win campaigns, including three 30-plus victory seasons, five conference crowns and four district titles.

For his efforts, Ballard was named the Class 3A girls coach of the year for three consecutive years by both the Missouri



Scott Ballard addresses yesterday's press conference, called to announce his hiring as the Lady Lions' coach.

Sportswriters and Broadcasters Association and the Missouri Basketball Coaches

Association.

"There is a lot of potential and possibilities at this college," Ballard said. "In the near future, we will try to make this a successful program."

The transition from high school to college basketball will be a task for Ballard as he takes the reigns of the Lady Lions. However, he doesn't see the need to change what worked for him at Marshfield.

"The 30-second clock is something I will have to work with," Ballard said. "We'll play a tough man-to-man defense; we'll push the ball up the floor. I don't see any reason to change my philosophy."

One problem inherent with naming a new coach this time of the year is recruiting. Ballard said he is content to combat the problem by looking locally for talent.

"We can get some more local kids," he said. "It looks like we have several kids to build around who are already here in the program."

Ballard does not hide his desire to bring some of his Marshfield players to Southern, and it is rumored that he is working hard to bring Melody Howard, one of the top high school players in the nation, here.

"There are several players from that program who I would like to have come here," he said.

Rick Siebert, Marshfield athletic director, had high praise for his departing coach.

"He is a tremendous individual," Siebert said. "He has come a long way as a coach. He has had some very good success."

When Ballard arrived at Marshfield after coaching at his hometown Niangua, Siebert recalls that Ballard's intentions were to quit coaching women's athletics. But the years of winning seasons and championships made it tough for Ballard to say no.

"He is just a tremendous coach," Siebert said. "He understands his players, and he is very concerned about them."

As for Ballard's on-court strategy, Siebert's praise was similar to that of Ballard's off-court demeanor.

"He picks up on quickly what the opposing team is doing," said Siebert. "He takes away the things you do well."

Siebert said Ballard introduced man-to-man defense to the Marshfield team when zone defenses were much more popular.

Lions take pair from Southeast

Southern hosts Lincoln in two games Saturday

BY ROD SHETLER
STAFF WRITER

Inclement weather has posed the greatest problem thus far in the 1990 Missouri Southern baseball season.

But yesterday, under clear skies, the Lions proved they still could play ball.

Starting pitcher Mike Stebbins blanked Southeast Missouri State University, 8-0, in the first game of an MIAA doubleheader in Cape Girardeau. Southern, now 12-7, took the nightcap behind the pitching of Chuck Pittman and Ken Grundt.

Sophomore Mark Baker did the job at the plate, getting all of Southern's RBIs in the 4-2 win in the second game.

Washed away by rain were the final two games of the Mutt Miller Classic, conference doubleheaders against the University of Missouri-St. Louis, Southwest Baptist University, and the University of Missouri-Rolla, and the entire Leroy Wilson Classic. The Lions have lost 14 games this season due to poor weather conditions.

"It's been two weeks since we have played an inning," said Stebbins, who sports a 3-2 record. "I've been throwing every chance I get, but I've lost at least three starts with this weather."

The pitching staff's future hurlers could be hurt more by the long layoff than the veteran arms.

"We were hoping to use the tournament games to work some of our younger pitchers so they'd be ready by next year," said Kermit Luebber, pitching coach. "We have a really good nucleus of young pitchers."

But time hasn't healed all of Southern's wounds. Junior pitcher Dennis Burns is still sidelined with rotator cuff problems.

"I'm not sure how it's coming," Burns said. "I'm going to see a specialist at Tulsa today or tomorrow just to get another opinion. I'm just a basket case, having to sit around and watch the guys play. I just hope they keep winning."

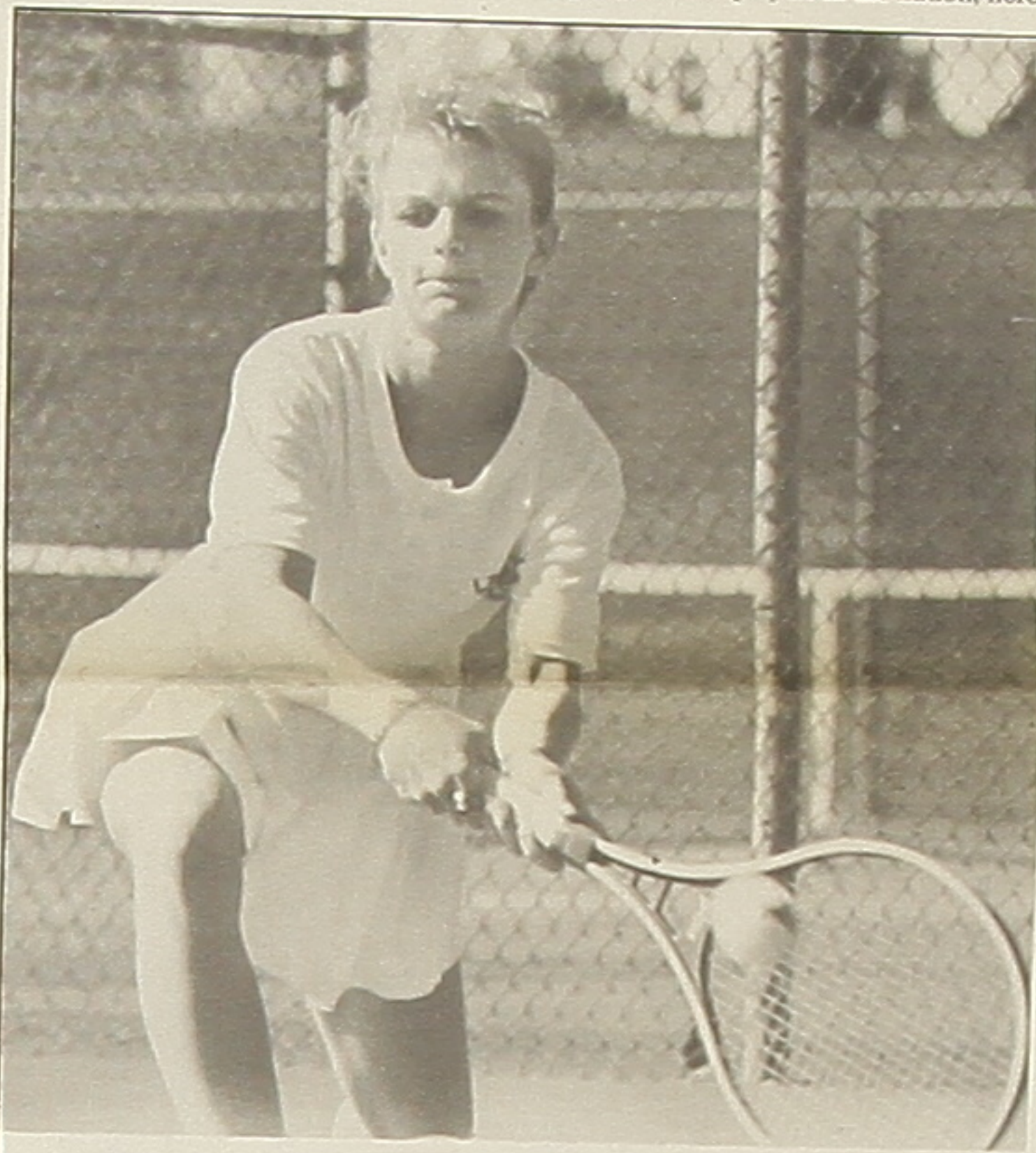
The pitchers won't be the only ones who will have to get back into the groove. The Lions' hitting, beginning to heat up at the end of the Mutt Miller Classic, might show a touch of rust after all the rain.

"We might come out just a little shaky up there against a good change-up pitcher," said Tim Casper, junior second baseman. "We might start off slow. It's kind of like we are just starting all over with a new season."

Many games still remain on the Lions' schedule. On Saturday, they take on conference foe Lincoln University in a doubleheader at 1 p.m. at Joe Becker Stadium. Tuesday, Southern takes on another MIAA opponent in Southwest Baptist University. The Lions meet nationally ranked Oklahoma University at Norman Wednesday, hoping to avenge a 5-2 setback last month.

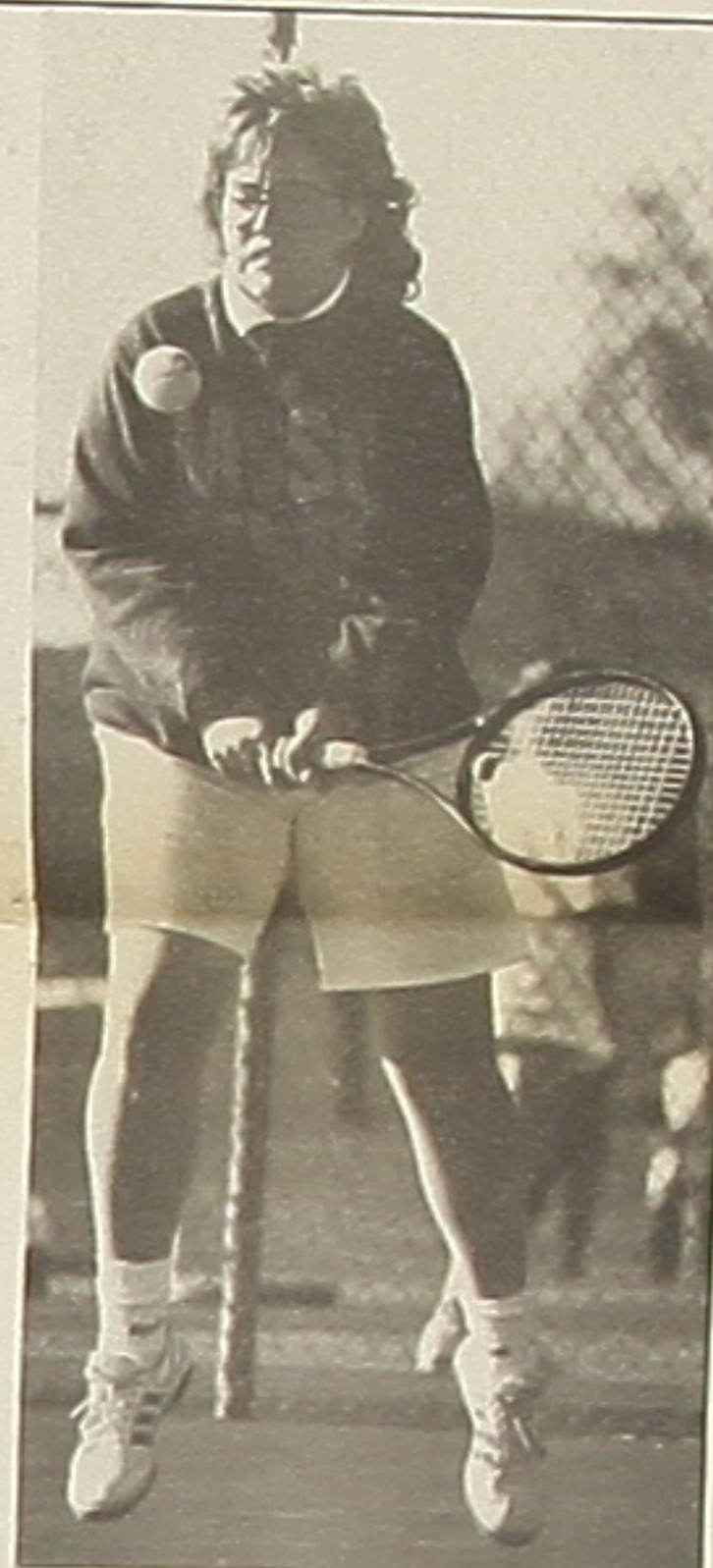
"We can beat anybody," said Mike Swidler, senior third baseman. "We have the talent here. Cancelling the tournament hurt us. We usually use that to get into a winning groove and just let that carry over into the rest of the season."

Southern will make up the doubleheader against UMSL on Saturday, April 14, in St. Louis.



Two-handed style

(Left) Rhonda Norcross displays her two-handed backhand in a 7-6, 6-4 singles loss to Central Missouri State University Tuesday afternoon. (Right) Maria Curry uses a two-handed volley in her 4-6, 6-0, 6-2 singles loss. CMSU claimed a 5-4 victory, dropping Southern's overall record to 2-4.



STAFF PHOTOS BY NICK COBLE AND MARK ANCELL

Lady Lions fall to CMSU after early lead

Looking for its first league win of the season, the Lady Lions tennis team was defeated Tuesday, 5-4, in a dual match with Central Missouri State. After Southern swept the first three singles matches, CMSU battled back to force a split. Keeping the hot hand, the Jennies took two of three doubles matches to ice the victory.

No. 1 singles player Adriana Rodriguez cruised to a straight-sets victory over Heather Walsh 6-1, 6-3, while Melissa Woods at No. 2 spotted Amy Woods a set before winning 4-6, 7-5, 6-1. Angie Mayberry downed Tricia Vorwald in the No. 3 singles contest 4-6, 7-6, 7-6.

Southern's sole doubles' victory came when Rodriguez and M. Woods beat

Walsh and A. Woods 6-0, 6-4.

The defeat dropped the Lady Lions to 2-4 overall and 0-4 in the MIAA.

The Lady Lions play at the University of Missouri-Kansas City tomorrow. A match at the University of Missouri-Columbia is scheduled Saturday.

Golf team places 11th for second time

Poor playing conditions continue to hamper the progress of the golf team as it turned in its second 11th-place finish in as many outings.

Battling strong winds and cold temperatures, the Lions recorded a 36-hole total of 679 (328-341) in the William Jewell College Midlands Invitational Monday.

"All the coaches were in agreement that we should cancel after 18 holes, but Darrel Gourley (William Jewell coach) decided to play on," said Bill Cox, head coach. "You can tell judging from the number of players who broke 80 that the conditions

had to be pretty bad."

In his best finish as a collegiate player, Kyle Catron was one of six players to post a score under 80. The senior from Carthage ended the tournament in a three-way tie for fourth place after rounds of 78-80.

"As a freshman I finished fifth at Tahlequah [in the Northeastern State Invitational], and last year I was seventh at St. Joseph [in the Missouri Western Invitational]," Catron said. "I made a couple of long putts. I hit the driver well, but everything else was average."

Team honors went to Northeast Missouri State University, which finished the one-day event with a team total of 633.

Four freshmen completed the Lions' team total, led by Jon Anderson's 166 (86-80) and Chris Claassen's 170 (84-86).

A trip to Osage Beach Monday will mark the Lions' first appearance in the Missouri Intercollegiate Invitational as an NCAA Division II squad. A practice round is scheduled Sunday on the Oaks Course at Tan-Tar-A where the two-day event is to take place.

Football Lions, without pads, to kick off drills

The 1990 spring season will kick off shortly for Missouri Southern football Lions.

"We will start Monday and go for two weeks," said Jon Lantz, head coach. "We will conclude on April 21."

To Lantz, this spring season could prove to be just "a watered-down version of spring ball."

"The presidents of the schools in Division II had a majority vote to take full pads out of spring practice this year," said Lantz. "When the game was invented, it was invented without pads. Somewhere along the line they added them for a reason. Now we're back where we were

120 years ago."

With Lincoln University dropping its football program, a hole was left at the beginning of Southern's 1991 schedule. That hole now has been filled by Cameron University of Lawton, Okla.

The Lions and Aggies will meet for the first time since 1969 on Sept. 7, 1991, at Lawton. The two teams will then play at Fred Hughes Stadium on Sept. 5, 1992.

"I've played Cameron before when I was at Southeast Oklahoma [State University]. They're a fine school, and they have a nice astro-turf facility," said Lantz. "They also play in one of the top two conferences in the nation."

The Aggies finished 3-7 last season with a 2-5 league mark for a fifth-place tie in the Lone Star Conference.

"Probably 75 percent of their signees, right now, are Texas high school kids," said Lantz. "Overall it is just better football than you will find just about anywhere else in the country."

There are many ties between the football programs of the two colleges.

"Their new head coach, Frank Crosson, was an assistant here for a time," said Lantz. "Coach [Dan] Scheible spent time as a student assistant here with Frank, and then he went to Cameron for five years."

My Opinion



Golf team is Southern's best of 1980s

As I near my imminent departure from this great institution I soon will call my alma mater, I feel I owe a tip of my hat to the very thing that led me here in the first place.

Of all the men's athletic teams at Missouri Southern, which would you guess has made the most appearances in national tournaments during the 1980s?

The normal Southern fan most likely would respond baseball. The Lions made the trip to the NAIA World Series for the first time of the decade in 1986, then returned a year later. Coach Warren Turner has fired blanks since.

If you are thinking basketball, that answer is wrong as well. Former head coach Chuck Williams guided the Lions to their lone national tournament appearance of the 80s in 1987.

The football and soccer teams have both seen their share of national rankings, but neither participated in national post-season competition.

The cross country/track program is just in the beginning stages at Southern, so it would not be probable that it has visited the national tournaments either.

That of course, no pun intended, leaves golf, the sport which has toiled for 22 years in the ranks of the unrecognized at Missouri Southern.

It goes without saying that 1990 is to be deemed a year of transition for the program. The golf team has only one-fifth of its players with prior varsity experience, which leaves hopes of a championship berth in the distance.

Despite a slow start, the 1980s were a time when the golf program represented Missouri Southern three times in national competition.

In what proved to be a groundbreaking year, juniors Doug Harvey and Mark Unger led a senior-dominated team to Bay City, Mich., in 1984. Kent Norris, Bruce Phillips, and Steve Kelly rounded out Randy Sohosky's NAIA District 16 championship squad that season.

It took three years and a new coach, but Southern made its second national showing of the decade in 1987. The hiring of Bill Cox, coupled with the insertion of three freshmen, gave the program the boost it needed.

Junior Lowell Catron and freshman Todd Miller guided the Lions through district competition and on to Tri-State University of Indiana, the site of the '87 championships.

Lack of experience finally caught up with the Cinderella team as its second-lowest total of the year failed to equal the cut. All five members of the squad shot 80 or better on the second day, which still left the Lions 10 strokes out.

In sports the only thing you can do for an encore after a championship season is repeat your previous success. So that is exactly what the 1988 version of the golf team set out to do.

Catron, Kirk Neill, and Phillip James—three holdovers from the '87 squad—provided a great nucleus for a possible repeat of previous seasons, but there were pieces missing. Enter freshman long-baller Boyd Downey to provide a low fourth score, and freshman Chad Huffman to add some consistent scoring from the fifth spot. These two nearly guaranteed that Bill Cox would make a return trip to the big show.

Despite knocking 11 strokes off its '87 score to post a 616 in Montgomery, Ala., the 1988 team still was one stroke shy of making the cut. Pacing the Lions was Downey, who opened the event with a two-under-par 70.

A grand total of three bouts with national competition during the 80s gives the golf team the edge over the other sports at Southern. Rather hard to believe isn't it... kind of like my swing.

□ Mark Eller is a staff writer for The Chart.

Missouri's Military Schools

While relatively few remain, the nation's military schools are once again flourishing following recent hard times.

With three military schools, Missouri has more than any other state. Wentworth Military Academy, founded in 1880 in Lexington, currently has 250 cadets ranging from junior high to junior college-level students.

At the age of 95, Col. J.M. Sellers, president of Wentworth, remains as one of the few remaining officers from World War I. Sellers was born at Wentworth, upstairs from what is now his office. His father, Sanford Sellers, began the family tradition of running the school 110 years ago.

Kemper Military School and College was founded in 1844 with an enrollment of five students. Today, Kemper has 340 cadets and remains one of the few co-ed military schools. Kemper cadets range from seventh grade to junior college.

The Missouri Military Academy, founded in 1889, has an enrollment of 315 cadets ranging from fourth grade to grade 12. Unlike Wentworth and Kemper, the Missouri Military Academy does not offer a junior college education.

Until the late 1960s, there were more than 500 military institutions in the United States. An anti-military backlash resulting from the Vietnam War caused serious difficulties for military schools. A dramatic drop in enrollments caused hard times for military institutions, and many closed their doors. Today, less than 50 remain.

"In the mid to late 60s, we were sitting at about 650 enrollment. The Vietnam situation kicked our feet out from under us," said (Ret.) Lt. Col. John Edwards, operations officer at Wentworth.

According to Edwards, the military as a whole was adversely affected. He recalls the implications of wearing a military uniform during that time.

"We were walking down the street and happened to be in uniform," he said. "They were spitting and cussing at us, calling us baby killers."

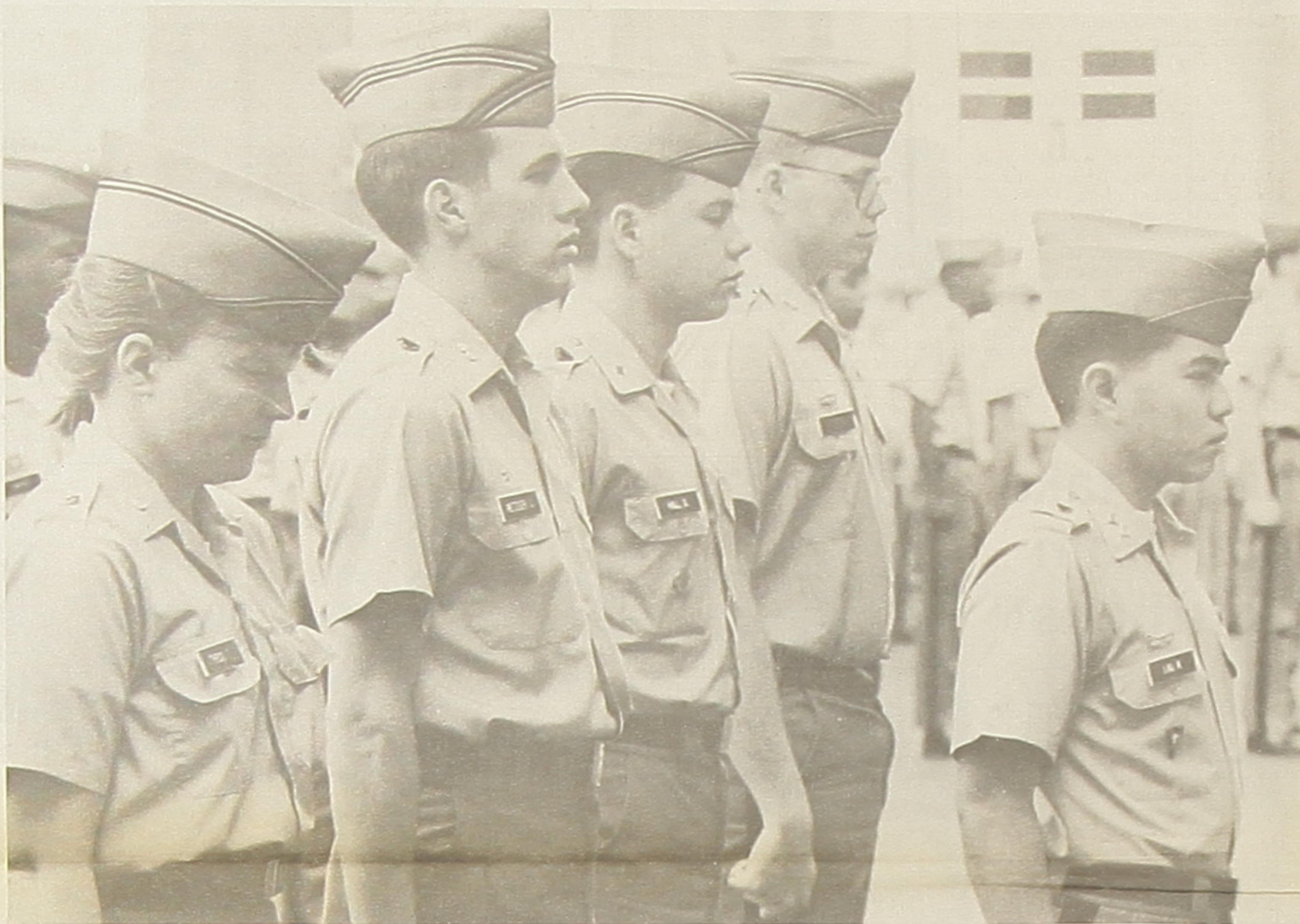
While considered by many to be correctional institutions, military school officials cite a number of reasons why students attend.

"There's a misconception about military schools that they're correctional," said Edwards. "That couldn't be further from the truth. We're an educational institute."

"Sometimes it's a single parent situation. They're not happy with the school system and they see the kid drifting away."

All cadets are required to take military science courses taught by Army instructors. While cadets are not required to give a military obligation, many junior college-level cadets participate in an accelerated R.O.T.C. program where they can receive a commission in the Army Reserve in two years.

The highly structured daily schedules of military schools have changed little over the years.



(Top) Cadet Commanders stand at attention during the noon formation preceding lunch at Kemper Military School and College. Kemper is the only co-ed military school in Missouri. (Middle right) A cadet walks across a rainy campus at Wentworth Military Academy, founded in 1880 in Lexington, Mo. (Bottom right) Capt. Greg Pasmore teaches physical science to Kemper cadets. (Bottom left) Cadets parade into the mess hall for lunch following their noon formation. (Middle left) During noon formation at Kemper, cadets assemble in their respective companies.

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